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THESE NAMES MUST BE CULLED

SAYS DAVID JACK

THERE are not enough international-class players in Australia to make up two squads — totalling 40 players.

That is the first impression from the names released at the

weekend for the Australia "A" and "B" teams to play in the

May/June international tournament here.

Of course, with so many players needed to fill all positions, it is inevitable

that several who have slim credentials should find their names listed for the tournament.

We must assume they will be culled when the squads are reduced later to more workable numbers.

More important than the surprise choices in the squad are the surprise omissions. They might almost be called shock omissions.

Sydney Olympic's Peter Katholos must be wondering what he has done to be kicked out.

Katholos has had problems with his club this season and missed some matches at the start of the year. However, the stylish midfielder appears to have settled those differences and it is strange, to say the least, that he cannot be rated among Australia's top 40 players.

Similarly, Peter Tredinnick, who was rated best player in the National League by the Presto-Daily Mirror judges, is also not listed among the 40.

And how about the goalkeeper situation?

When Terry Greedy announced his retirement, albeit a brief retirement, after the Merlion Cup in Singapore, it was expected that his understudy, Bruce James of Marconi, would take over as number one goalie.

Instead, the new squad contains the names of Greedy, Tony Pezzano, Peter Laumets and Tony Franken.

James, instead of moving up from number two to number one, now finds himself number five (or



PETER TREDINNICK (right): not listed



KIM WISHART: not in

BRUSASCO'S BROADSIDE

BY GREG RUSSELL

WHILE the rain in Brisbane last weekend washed out nearly all Soccer matches, the drenching did nothing to cool the displeasure of Queensland Soccer Federation president Ian Brusasco over the make-up of the Australian squad.

Brusasco, a member of the Australian Soccer Federation's World Cup committee, labelled the selection process as "a sham."

Queensland gained only one place, Brisbane Lions striker Danny Wright, in the 40-man squad.

"I cannot understand how someone can select four keepers and not include Kim Wishart, who was number two for Arok against England."

"I doubt if he has even seen Wishart play this season, and that constitutes a mockery and a sham of the whole selection process," Brusasco said.

"It was a waste of money getting all the coaches and directors of coaching to meetings and asking them for their recommendations. It is obvious the idea of a part-time national coach is not going to work."

Brusasco said the only way Queensland could prove its point is to give New South Wales "a bloody good hiding" at Perry Park on April 29.

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EDITORIAL

NOBODY should have been surprised by the collapse of Newcastle KB United.

With so many clubs in the National Soccer League living on credit, it is inevitable that some will go to the wall. We fear Newcastle may be only the first. The possibility of clubs going into liquidation was apparent years ago. When you attempt to balance big overheads against small gate takings, you are faced with an impossible task.

When this was pointed out in the past to leaders of the National League, they shrugged it off with such comments as: "Clubs are broke all over the world — it is not a problem peculiar to Australia."

That is true. Even in England, sometimes called the home of Soccer, at least a dozen clubs are walking the tight rope, unable to say with any conviction that they will last out the season.

The financial headaches afflicting English football are not confined to small third and fourth division teams. Former giants of the sport like Derby County, Wolverhampton Wanderers, Middlesbrough and Charlton Athletic are not certain to be lining up in August for the 1984-85 season.

Australian Soccer gains no solace from this.

Australia has a serious problem in its Soccer and it will have to be remedied in Australia.

The NSL, belatedly it must be admitted, did try to find a remedy when it regionalised its competition. This produced the definite advantage of a reduction in the too-expensive bill for air travel, although travelling expenses represent only a small part of the huge expense associated with the running of a national competition.

Amazing though it seems, there are still clubs in the NSL prepared to spend vast amounts of money to secure the transfer of players from rival clubs.

It is totally irresponsible. Such clubs, in fact, are spending cash which they do not have. Do they even stop to think where the money will come from when the bills have to be settled?

This year has seen a proliferation in the make-up of the National League. Instead of having 16 teams worrying about how to settle their debts, we now have 24.

The time has come for the rulers of the NSL to take action. The demise of Newcastle KB United will surely convince them that further financial frustration faces the code if things are allowed to drift along as at present.

It is clear that the gap between income and expenditure will have to be narrowed — either by clubs spending less or generating more income. Better still by both methods.

If the NSL is to be saved — and some may question the wisdom of that — it will only be saved by inspired and sensible decisions at the very top level.

It is time for the Australian Soccer Federation, the real controllers of Soccer in this country, to play a more active part.

There is not much point in the ASF going ahead with grandiose schemes to improve Australia's international image in World Cups, Youth Cups and the like if the sport at roots level (in the clubs) is permitted to face a lingering death.

NAUGHTY HARRY!

BY GREG RUSSELL

BRISBANE LIONS coach Harry Noon has been subtly reprimanded after a scathing attack on his team following its 3-0 loss to Penrith.

The reprimand came in the form of an official statement from the Lions board which backed the Queensland players and blamed a "breakdown of communication" for Lions' slump in form.

Noon hit out at his players after the Penrith match and pleaded: "I have nothing, only about five players are NSL standard."

"The club has no depth of talent and no money. I don't know which way to go — we need five or six new players. I have got to get players who can play, win balls and knock them properly."

Noon likened his plight to that of former Lions coach Simon Kistemaker.

"At the moment I feel sorry for Kistemaker as basically I have got what he had, and I can see his predicament. I don't want to be seen as panicking but we

have to start at the back and get things right," Noon said.

But the day after the Noon outburst, and following a board meeting, Lions issued the statement: "We have complete faith that, in the long run, Queensland youth will produce the goods at National League level. Some players are obviously lacking a little experience but we do not intend to panic and go out and buy a new team. At this stage we believe the recent slump in form is only due to a lack of communication. There are no big problems at Lions."

The board has agreed to the signing of former Queensland Youth team player Ray Junna, from Canberra Arrows.

Junna, who was at the Institute of Sport, went to Canberra for \$1,500 as part of a package deal involving Frank Farina.



HARRY NOON: reprimand



RAY JUNNA

EVANS FIGHTS BACK

BY GREG RUSSELL

BRISBANE LIONS goalkeeper Wayne Evans, who previously played in Sydney with Blacktown United, is determined to silence his Queensland critics.

Evans has received considerable bad press in recent weeks after dropping three balls which resulted in three goals.

But Evans, who has been described by his coach Harry Noon as "the best in Australia", claims illegal charges from opposing players have knocked the ball out of his hands on each occasion.

"It's been a bad run but I am determined to ensure it does not happen again," said Evans, who is still aiming to win a berth in the Queensland team for the interstate match against New South Wales at Perry Park on April 19.

"It's just a matter of confidence. For a while there I was unsure about coming out and taking a high ball, but now it's no problem."

"Harry Noon has given me a lot to live up to, but I am determined to prove him right," Evans said.

CANBERRA ARROWS directors could have been forgiven a couple of Sundays ago for breaking out into a different version of a favourite hymn.

"What a friend we have in Lotto" should certainly be top of the hit parade for the Canberra club.

Managing director of Lotto of New South Wales, Allan Lovell, is a frequent visitor to Arrows matches, both home and away, and surveying the empty seats at the Bruce Stadium, he inquired what amount had been set aside for advertising.

Told \$1,000, he was probably impressed until he learned that the sum was not for one match, but for the entire season. And that out of a budget in excess of \$325,000!

Lotto has been the rock on which the Arrows have survived financial adversity in recent years and Mr Lovell was not about to see the opportunity for expanded advertising missed. So, on the spot, he offered a further \$5,000 for the Arrows, exclusively for advertising, if the club matched his amount, dollar for dollar.

LOTTO TOP OF CHARTS

BY BERNIE HARRIS

The Arrows board considered the offer last Thursday night. There was considerable discussion in past weeks about the value of newspaper advertising, some views being that coverage on local radio and television, together with reports in the Canberra Times, and magazines such as AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY provided sufficient exposure.

The Arrows involvement in youth at schools in the ACT was seen as another bonus that money couldn't buy. However, in the result the offer was accepted and local fans can expect an upgraded promotion of forthcoming matches.

But in the television stakes, the Arrows lag badly. Apart from news items and a segment on the local commercial station which gives the Arrows about five minutes on a Sunday, the club fails to capture the imagination and viewers' attention, and this policy reflects the sorts of attendances that the Arrows get and which attend other major Soccer promotions, such as the Cup and the top four playoff together with

disappointing crowds for the youth international matches back in 1981.

By contrast, the Sydney Rugby League match of the day is screened by the ABC live on a Saturday, with Sunday's game replayed after the Sunday night movie.

The VFL comes in live on Saturday on the commercial network.

But the biggest winner is

the National Basketball League. Its well oiled publicity machine has an hour long program "Hooked on Cannons" each Saturday lunchtime in which the previous week's game is highlighted.

The Soccer fraternity is well served by Network 9/28, but doubts are expressed as to just how substantial its audience is —

and it of course does not concentrate on the Arrows exclusively.

Arrows officials have talked of a local television programme, but when the costs are added up the commitment is beyond the Arrows, unless, as one official put it, someone with more money than sense can be lured into the backing of a programme that would run over an amazingly long season.

SPONSORS IN CASH AND KIND

BY JOHNNY WARREN

I WAS unhappy about the article on the front page of last week's ASW.

My objection is NOT aimed at ASW's Bernie Harris who wrote it but against the person who gave Bernie the information.

I object to the following paragraph in particular:-

"There was also dispute at board level how some of the \$84,000 in sponsorships, which was not in cash form, should be shown in the club's accounts."

One of the greatest problems in Australian Soccer, is that people on boards and

committees always wish to make themselves important by speaking "off the record" ("please don't quote me") to the media, and always on confidential matters.

I question the sponsorship amount. Arrows' sponsorship in actual cash is \$68,500.

In terms of products such as team uniform, equipment, promotion materials, plaing and training strips, boots, advertising and promotional gear, the value is \$31,500 — making a total

sponsorship of \$100,000.

This non-cash sponsorship is for goods and services for which the Canberra club would have had to have paid cash.

So what's the difference? Again, my "beef" is NOT with Harris' story, but with directors who do nothing but say plenty to the detriment of the game.

Canberra Arrows' sponsorship for which I am mainly responsible, not just to obtain, but to service, is one of the largest sponsorships, ever.

I am proud of it although irresponsible board leaks could damage it.



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WILKINS BANNED FROM JUVENTUS SEMI-FINAL

BIG blow for Manchester United in their European Cup Winners Cup semi-final against Italy's Juventus tomorrow (Wednesday) is the absence of fine midfielder Ray Wilkins.

Wilkins has been in outstanding form this season but was given a yellow card in the second leg match against Barcelona which United won 3-0. He received two yellow

cards and a suspension earlier in the Cup Winners' Cup, but thought this had wiped the slate clean.

Said Wilkins: "I'm very upset. But I've broken the

rules and I must pay. I'm on a good run, the team is firing well and Old Trafford will be packed to the roof for the Juventus game. "It will be terrible not to be playing."



ENGLAND IN DULL WIN

DULL, dreary, disappointing ... that just about sums up last week's England v Northern Ireland international at Wembley Stadium.

England scraped through 1-0 with a goal from Arsenal's Tony Woodcock four minutes in the second half. It was something of a

lucky goal because Irish goalkeeper Jim Platt, who had replaced injured first choice Pat Jennings, could not hold a fierce shot from Viv Anderson and, to England's delight, Platt could only push the ball to scorer Woodcock.

This was the last match between these countries in the British International series which, after this year, will be a thing of the past.

Evidently the London spectators agreed with those who believe such in-

ternationals have lost their attraction. In fact, only 24,000 were in the 100,000 capacity stadium.

The match was a useful pointer to World Cup hopes, bearing in mind that England and Northern Ireland are in the same Group Three. Other teams in that Group are Romania, Finland and Turkey.

Bad as they are at present, England ought to top the Group and qualify for Mexico 1986.

COLLINS IS 'WIRED-UP'

BY BERNIE HARRIS

CANBERRA ARROWS coach Doug Collins, like everyone who visits Bruce Stadium, has been impressed with the facilities of the National Sports Centre.

But he has been particularly taken with the dramatic view of the pitch afforded from the heights of the grandstand.

Collins has a regular spot on Canberra's ABC sporting station, 2CN, after each match.

Between five and eight minutes, Collins analyses his team's performance and relives the highs and lows of each match.

His commentary is appreciated by fans on their way home from the soccer.

Collins had commented on the perspective from the broadcasting box perched high at the back of the grandstand from where the players move like chessmen in easily recognised patterns.

So it was no surprise when Collins came to the broadcasting box for the entire match against South Melbourne replayed on a Friday night after the original match was abandoned because of the weather.

The unexpected development came when the studio announcer, Huge McKenzie, discovered Collins' presence. After two live reports on the progress of the game, Collins was wired up and became the first NSL coach to actually broadcast

to an audience his impressions of his team's performance as the match progressed.

And his comments were incisive and drew good audience reaction.

He returned to the broadcast after his half-time talk and told of his directions to the team and his concern at keeping South Melbourne out.

When he finally left with 10 minutes to go and the Arrows fighting desperately against a determined last ditch attack by South Melbourne, he had clocked up about half-an-hour of air time.

In fact, such was the interest that a regular programme was shortened to enable a full time report from the ground, and the station has indicated its hope to adopt similar broadcasting services for future night sporting events.

Collins enjoyed his Radio baptism, but he will never be in the Norman May class.

Even Frank Farina's dazzling first goal brought a smile of pleasure, but no demonstration of emotion, whereas Norman would have been screaming "Goal, goal, goal!" with deafening hoarseness!

AN ITALIAN ASSIGNMENT

BY TOM McKAIN

ADELAIDE CITY football manager Bob D'Ottavi will leave for Italy on Friday on a double mission.

He will be looking for a guest player who will pull in the crowds, and a 12-month contract player who can do the same and pull in points.

"I am going with an open mind," said D'Ottavi.

"We have contacts in Europe and I will see what they have to suggest."

But he made it clear he would not be bringing over a guest if it meant he would only be available for the National Cup games.

"We want to make some money, not give it away, and it is essential we have the guest for the maximum number of home games," said D'Ottavi.

"Obviously the ideal guest would be a free-scoring forward, or a scoring midfielder."

wart Blair, Phil Cole and Les Carter from last year.

The only new signing has been Mark Gatenby, an Englishman who played in New Zealand last season.

He is the only visa player on City's books, so they have room for one more to meet their maximum quota.

D'Ottavi is certain he will be contacting Soccerroo David Mitchell, now with Glasgow Rangers, but he is not hopeful of signing him.

"It depends if he is needed for Rangers' tour here, or if he will be with the Soccerroos," said D'Ottavi.

"We know he wants to guest for us in what was his Australian home town, and his family is here.



BOB D'OTTAVI : mission

"But we will have to find out what his commitments are to Rangers after the tour series is completed."

Dynamic

Regarding the "permanent" signing, D'Ottavi said it depended on what was on view.

"An experienced dynamic midfielder would be ideal, but then so would a forward with a nose for goals.

"As I say, we have an open mind, but coach Edmund Krefl and I agree we will not be signing someone just for the sake of saying we have an overseas player.

"He, or they, will have to be special."

City has been working on a shoestring squad this year, having lost Glenn Dods, Neil Banfield, Ste-

MARCONI PRIDE AT STAKE

By JOHN ECONOMOS

AFTER a disastrous start in the NSL, Marconi are down to serious business as from next Sunday when they take on Sunshine-George Cross at Marconi Stadium in their Inter-Challenge Round match.

Both teams lost last Sunday, Marconi 1-3 to Apia-Leichhardt and George Cross 0-2 to Preston.

Georgie so far have notched up only two draws against Green Gully (0-0) and Heidelberg (1-1), with all other matches being lost.

Marconi coach Les Scheinflug has had more than his share of problems so far this year, with injuries and loss of form.

It's high time some of these Marconi "stars" showed some character on the pitch.

For Sunday's match, Scheinflug will have Mark Jankovics, Steve Calderan, Rene Licata and Atti Carbone back from injury. The return of these players will add much needed pressure on team-selection.

Last Sunday, only Peter Sharne and Bruce James escaped with their reputations unscathed.

Players of the calibre of David Lowe and Rod Brown have to start delivering.

But having said that, it is the responsibility of the midfielders to service these two.

Scheinflug has shown enough tolerance to date.

Marconi has too much ability within its playing staff to keep cracking losses. But ability is one thing and actual performance is another.

One leading Marconi player recently stated: "Don't write-off Marconi too soon. We have too much pride to take it lying down."

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IT'S BIG MONEY BUT KEEGAN IS WORTH IT



KEVIN KEEGAN scores for England against Scotland.

THE Kevin Keegan saga at Newcastle United seems to be drawing to a fairy-tale conclusion with the season coming to an end and United third in the English second division.

Third place will take Newcastle up into the first division.

At the time of writing, Newcastle was six points ahead of fourth-placed rival Carlisle.

Keegan joined the second division club in a shock transfer move two seasons ago from Southampton.

He had a dream debut for Newcastle. Then things turned sour last year with Newcastle finishing half way down the table.

Newcastle had made Keegan the highest-paid player in the country with a salary reputed to be about \$6,000 per week.

With such a commitment not paying dividends, there was talk of the club sacking manager Arthur Cox.

Keegan said that if Cox went, he would go.

That was enough to save manager Cox's neck.

His club now has the benefit of his coup in snaring Keegan for Newcastle.

I grew up in Newcastle, played for the town boys team, then the youth team and it was my first professional club.

The town is a hotbed of Soccer.

It is only a third the size of Liverpool, yet its devotion to the game exceeds even that of Liverpool.

The club has won more F.A. Cups than any other in England.

Yet it has won little in the last two decades.

Supporters deserve a much better board of directors than they have had in that time.

It has taken a master stroke of entrepreneurial skill to lure Keegan to the club, and with him other top players, so now Newcastle's return to the top division seems assured.

But what happens when Keegan leaves, as he will at the end of this season?

The answer will probably be a couple of years in 1st division, then relegation once more to second division.

In business today the multi-national giants run the show.

Soccer is big business and

the giant clubs such as Tottenham Hotspur, Arsenal, Manchester United, Liverpool, Inter-Milan, Juventus, Barcelona, Real Madrid, Bayern Munchen, Hamburg, Red Star of Belgrade and their like dominate the game.

In time, I can see these teams playing one another in a series of special challenge matches which will put in the shade the mundane League games battled out over nine months in various countries in Europe.



BY MIKE JOHNSON

In the modern world, BIG is better.

The big get bigger and better.

Every now and again in the Soccer world, you see a Bobby Robson at little Ipswich, Brian Clough at Nottingham Forest, Cox and Keegan at Newcastle who can turn the tables for a time with their individual genius.

But when they walk out, as did Ipswich's Robson to take over England, their clubs invariably fall into decline.

Having said that, I am so pleased that the Geordie fans at Newcastle are going to have their spell in the sun again and once more you will hear their fans pouring out "Blaydon Races", the Geordie national anthem, at Highbury, Old Trafford, Villa Park and other 1st division stadiums.

Although others have copied it, only Newcastle fans can really sing "Blaydon Races".

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

SINCE I started writing a column for ASW a few weeks ago, several people have asked me if I could explain to readers some of the Laws of the Game, which often cause confusion.

Delighted to help.

For the next few weeks I shall discuss the Laws. It will give you a chance to test your skill.

Most people who attend

matches think they know the Laws of the Game inside out.

Maybe I'll prove to them they are not as knowledgeable as they imagine.

Here is the first question:

"Is the ball out of play if part of it overlaps the goal-line or touchline?"

Is that too easy? Probably it is for many readers but

you can be sure some will get the answer wrong.

Now try the second question:

"A player has to leave the field and, as he is walking off, the ball comes towards him and he scores with a shot. Does the goal stand?"

Maybe that one is a bit harder.

Here is question three:

"Does a player infringe the Laws if he is in an offside position but moves beyond the boundary of the field of play to clearly show the referee that he is not interfering with play?"

Now you've had the questions, which I hope are not too difficult to understand. Move on to the answers.

(1) The whole of the ball must be over the line before it is out of play.

(2) The goal should be disallowed. The player should be cautioned and the game restarted with an indirect free-kick taken by a player of the opposing team from the place where the infringement occurred.

(3) He is not infringing the Law but if the referee considers such a move as a tactical aim or is in any way a feint, and the player takes



BY TONY BOSKOVIC

part in the game immediately after, the referee should blow for offside.

(4) Yes he is, but he would be given offside if the penalty taker failed to score directly and the offside player attempted to interfere with the game. He would not be offside if the goalkeeper parried the ball to him.

How did you go in your "Bosko" test? If you got four out of four, you know a thing or two about the Laws of Soccer. If you didn't get even one right, you'd better go back to watching Rugby League or Aussie Rules!

WHERE DO THE BEST TEAMS COME FROM?

NEXT weekend we will see the first of the inter-conference games.

It will be interesting indeed to see the outcome of these games, and it should give us a fair indication which of the two "conferences" has the strongest and most competitive field.

One thing certainly not lacking in the Australian Conference is goals. At the end of round 5 of the competition, clubs in the NSW-based group had hit the back of the net 93 times compared with only 70 goals being scored in the Southern section.

So it would certainly seem that the Australian Conference has the most entertaining line-ups as far as scoring goals is concerned, but then it is possible that the National Conference has teams which contain more formidable defences, making scoring goals much harder.

Well, we'll find out just who can score and who can defend next weekend when the boys from the North get ready to do battle with the boys from the South.

I'm strongly tipping a landslide victory for the Australian Conference and a glut of goals as a bonus.

Incidentally games to date involving clubs from the two NSL sections indicate I'm right. Of the eight games played so far, the Australian Conference has notched up four wins to the National Conference's one, with three games ending in a draw.

I rest my case.

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BEFORE we kicked off the 1984 season, I strongly criticised the draw for the new competition being unfair to my club Sydney City, and although I still believe this, it seems it might have been a blessing in disguise.

At the end of round 5, we had won three and drawn two games, with a goal tally of 12-4. Out of these 5 games we had only one at our home ground, Sydney Athletic Field.



BY JOE WATSON

We have established a tremendous home record over the past four years, one I'm sure which will continue, so you'll forgive me if I'm very optimistic of our chances this year — if our players can now match their home record with an equally good away record.

We have improved with every game this year and all the internal problems at the club are now forgotten.

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WORLD CUP

A TOUCH OF 'MAGIC' AT CROATIA

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

FORMER Australian World Cup striker Kenny "Magic" Boden switched clubs over the weekend when he signed for Atti Abonyi's Sydney Croatia till the end of this season.

Croatia beat Blacktown City in a scramble to sign Boden.

And even more surprising was the fee of only \$5,000 placed on Boden by his former club, Sydney City.

Croatia also signed Sydney City's Brazilian midfielder Nelio Borges for \$10,000 to complete a package deal.



KENNY BODEN

The affair erupted when Boden was dropped from the Sydney City team to play Olympic. He immediately asked for a transfer.

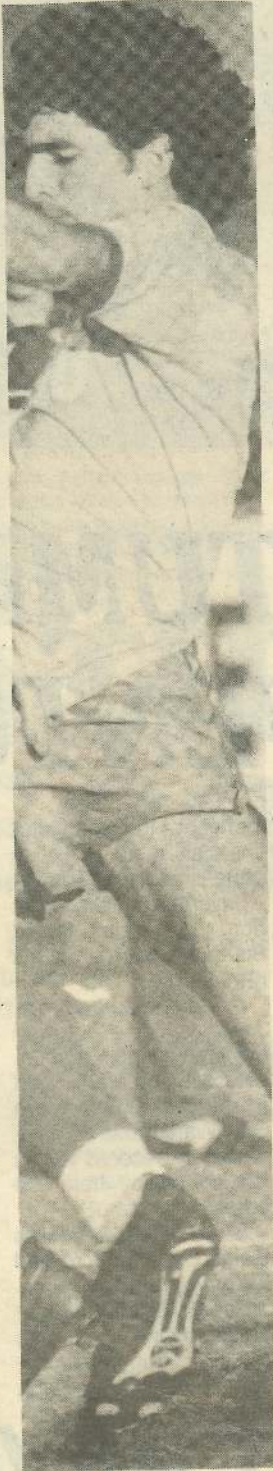
Sydney City's manager-coach, Eddie Thomson, said: "Of course I was disappointed with Kenny's request for a transfer, especially when he still had another year to serve under his contract."

Boden explained: "The travelling was getting me down, and now I can get to training in 10 minutes from where I live."

"But still I must say I am a little disappointed leaving Sydney City after being there four years."

Atti Abonyi will play Boden on the left side of midfield tonight against Wollongong City at Dapto Showground. Borges is also expected to play.

In other Sydney NSL news, Blacktown City and Australian striker Phil O'Connor is to have a cartilage operation on his right knee this week.



NELIO BORGES

ENTERTAINMENT NAME OF GAME

FANS will see an entertaining game at Henson Park on Sunday when Leichhardt-APIA take on W. Adelaide in the Inter-Conference round.

Leichhardt coach Fil Bottalico was astounded that big central defender Arno Bertogna and left midfielder Peter Tredinnick were left out in the cold.

Bertogna is a key man in a solid backline, while Tredinnick's attacking thrusts create many openings.

APIA fans will be looking to Tredinnick, John Bradley and Kerry Caban to put the pressure on up-front.

However, they won't get an easy ride against a West Adelaide back-line consisting of experienced

players in Ian McGregor, Neil McGachey and Graham Honeyman.

Behind them, West Adelaide have keeper Gary Sproul, who was peppered with shots against Adelaide City last Sunday, but came out on top with some fine saves.

Young players have been given a chance at West Adelaide this year, and their attacking flair has won praise.

Against an in-form Leichhardt-APIA, one thing is for sure... spectators will be winners at Henson Park on Sunday.

FLEMING RETURNS

BY PHIL MURPHY

JOHN FLEMING is back with Wollongong City and there is a chance he could be in the squad for tonight's game against Sydney Croatia at Dapto Showground.

Fleming, who came from England when the club was formed, played in Wollongong's original NSL line-up and is the only survivor.

Equally at home at full-back or in the midfield, Fleming will be a valuable addition to Adrian Alston's young side.

In early premiership games, Alston has had to rely on a back-four with an average age of less than 21.

Fleming is making a late start to the season because he has been in dispute with the board over match payments.

CROATIA WANT FEE

BY GREG RUSSELL

SYDNEY CROATIA have stunned Queensland Premier League club Ipswich United by slapping a \$3,000 transfer fee on midfielder Kevin Coleman, who has been living in Brisbane for more than 12 months.

Coleman played on loan with Ipswich last year and had hoped to turn out again for the Ampol Cup winners this season.

But Croatia coach Atti Abonyi said on his recent visit to Brisbane: "If Ipswich United want Kevin Coleman they will have to pay for him."

"You can't expect to get players for nothing. Kevin is on the transfer list at \$3,000. If he wants to play at Ipswich, that is the fee Ipswich will have to pay us," Abonyi said.

Coleman is upset at Croatia's stance and is to appeal against the fee.

Ipswich have offered Coleman legal assistance but he has told the club that it is best they stay out of the wrangle, at least until the appeal is heard.



KEVIN COLEMAN

worse) goalkeeper in the National League.

Brisbane City's Kim Wishart, another goalkeeper with international ambitions, is similarly cast aside.

It would seem that the Marconi club, coached by Les Scheinflug who held the national coaching position before being turfed out in favour of Frank Arok, has not been treated kindly in this 40-man selection.

Apart from James, Rod Brown and David Lowe, also failed to impress sole selector Arok.

Brown and Lowe have worked up a most impress-

ive understanding as twin strikers for the Youth Socceros all over the world. How both could be ignored at this stage remains one of the big mysteries.

Nevertheless, Frank Arok is a man who revels in producing the unexpected. He has had the benefit of

advice from just about every coach in the country and, presumably, those coaches have all had their say about who should, or should not, be in the national squads.

But the final verdict on borderline selections, rested with Arok.

OLYMPIC GO WELL

SYDNEY OLYMPIC have already proved themselves one of the best teams in the Australian National League.

In their first six matches, Olympic have recorded three wins and two draws, which suggests they are a team on form.

Last Sunday, they had some idle moments and dull spells but still did enough to get a well-deserved 2-0 victory over Penrith City.

Their best player in that match was Peter Katholos who was determined to prove he had been unjustly treated when he was left out of the 40-man squad from which Australian "A" and "B" teams will be chosen.

Katholos has scored five goals in four matches — not bad for a midfielder — but as coach Manfred Schaefer told us: "Peter loves to score goals — even when we're having training sessions."

But having overcome plenty of NSW opposition, Olympic must now test their strength against a Victorian team.

Their opponents next Sunday are Melbourne Croatia who are anxious to make a swift recovery from a 5-2 hiding from Heidelberg.

Undoubtedly, Croatia's trump card is little Tommy Cumming, always a class player.

But new coach Terry Hennessey will need ALL of his team to be firing if they are to get away from Sydney with any points.

Hennessey was very angry after the Heidelberg hiding claiming his defence was "non-existent!"

It will be interesting to see how he remedies the problem for the Olympic game.

Here are the squads named at the weekend:—

Terry Greedy (Sydney City), **Tony Pezzano** (Sydney City), **Graham Jennings** (Olympic), **Howard Tredinnick** (Melita), **Joe Rizzotto**, **Paul Carter** (Marconi), **David Skeen**, **David Ratcliffe** (St George), **Steve O'Connor**, **Alex Robertson**, **Jim Cant** (Sydney City), **Tony Dakos**, **Peter Raskopoulos**, **Jim Paulkas** (Olympic), **Tom McCulloch** (Marconi), **John O'Shea** (St George), **Joe Watson**, **John Kos-**
mina (Sydney City), **Phil O'Connor** (Blacktown), **Marshall Soper** (Olympic), **Ian Gray** (Leichhardt), **Robbie Slater** (St George), **Peter Laumets** (St Melb), **Tony Franken** (Canberra), **Alan Davidson** (St Melb), **Peter Lewis** (Crotia), **Con Opasinis** (Preston), **Charlie Yankos** (Heidelberg), **Steve Blair** (St Melb), **Robbie Dunn** (Preston), **Ken Murphy**, **Oscar Crino** (St Melb), **Jim Campbell** (Melb Croatia), **Gary Cole** (Preston), **Doug Brown** (St Melb), **Claud Lucchesi** (Preston), **Frank Farina** (Canberra), **Joe Mullen** (Adel City), **Danny Wright** (Brisbane Lions), **Andrew Zinnl** (Juventus).

INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT PROGRAMME

SATURDAY MAY 26 Aust A v Manchester United (SCG 3pm)

SUNDAY MAY 27 Aust B v Glasgow Rangers (Olympic Park 3pm)

SUNDAY MAY 27 Western Aust v Nottm Forest (Perth 3pm)

WEDNESDAY MAY 30 Aust A v Nottm Forest (Hindmarsh Stadium 8pm)

THURSDAY MAY 31 Aust B v Glasgow Rangers (Lang Park 8pm)

SATURDAY JUNE 2 Aust A v Glasgow Rangers (SCG 3pm)

SUNDAY 3 Man United v Nottm Forest (Olympic Pk 3pm)

TUESDAY JUNE 5 Aust B v Glasgow Rangers (Hindmarsh 8pm)

WEDNESDAY JUNE 6 Juventus v Man United (SCG 8pm)

THURSDAY JUNE 7 Aust A v Nottm Forest (Lang Pk 8pm)

FRIDAY JUNE 8 Aust B v Iraklis (Hindmarsh 8pm)

SATURDAY JUNE 9 Select XI v Glasgow Rangers (Newcastle 3pm)

SUNDAY JUNE 10 Aust A v Juventus (Olympic Pk 3pm)

MONDAY JUNE 11 Aust B v Nott Forest (SCG 3pm)

MONDAY JUNE 11 Select XI v Iraklis (Canberra 3pm)

TUESDAY JUNE 12 Aust A v Juventus (Hindmarsh 8pm)

WEDNESDAY JUNE 13 Aust B v Iraklis (Lang Pk 8pm)

SATURDAY JUNE 16 Aust A v Juventus (SCG 3pm)

SUNDAY JUNE 17 Aust B v Iraklis (Olympic Pk 3pm)

WEDNESDAY JUNE 20 Aust A v Iraklis (SCG 8pm)

FRIDAY JUNE 22 Victoria v Iraklis (Olympic Pk 8pm)

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**HENSON PARK
SUNDAY, APRIL 15**

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WESTAD'S STEVE ATSALAS



WESTAD'S IAN MCGREGOR

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ROUND UP

LEICHHARDT STARS OVERLOOKED

BY ANDREW PASCHALIDIS

LEICHHARDT share equal first position in the National League after convincingly defeating Marconi 3-1 at Marconi Stadium.

Leichhardt coach Fil Bottalico was ecstatic with his team's win but disappointed that two players in particular didn't make the Australian squad which was selected last weekend.

"The whole side played as a complete unit. We have a good team with a nice blend of youth and experience," said Bottalico.

"I can't believe the Australian selectors would ignore midfielder Peter Tredinnick and defender Arno Bertogna for the Australian squad. It's unbelievable."

Three players were outstanding for Leichhardt. John Bradley was always menacing in attack and Ian Gray and Peter Tredinnick played with class and enthusiasm in mid-field.

It was Tredinnick who opened the scoring for the visitors in the sixth minute — seconds after team-mate Robert De Ceglie hit the post from 10 metres.

A 20 metre shot from Tredinnick deflected off a Marconi defender and

gave goalkeeper Bruce James no chance.

Marconi levelled the score in the 21st minute.

Peter Sharne crossed the ball to Raul Carrizo but he miskicked the ball six metres from goal.



ARNO BERTOGNA

Sharne, who was Marconi's best player, followed through to score from a difficult angle.

Leichhardt scored their second goal in the 34th minute after Marconi defender Joe Rizzotto, who was sent from the field in the 62nd minute, committed a foul.

John Bradley took the free-kick from the right side and the unmarked Ian Gray brilliantly volleyed the ball into goal from eight metres.

Leichhardt dominated the entire second half. Marconi lacked spark in the middle and failed to penetrate up-front.

In the 62nd minute Carrizo brought down Tony Morsello. Rizzotto was sent from the field for alleged dissent after this incident.

From the free-kick, Gray's shot deflected off the Marconi wall and James was unable to hold the ball. Bradley was quick to move in to score from close range.

In the remaining passages of play, Leichhardt had at least four more chances to score but poor

and inaccurate shots thwarted them.

MARCONI: James, Rizzotto, Carter, McCulloch, Henderson, Spanos (Mariani 28), Djordjevic, Lowe, Brown, Sharne, Carrizo (Budini 65).

LEICHHARDT: Parkes, Skellern, Brown, Bertogna, Pullen, De Ceglie, Bradley, Gray, Caban, Tredinnick, Morsello (Van Egmond 78).

REFEREE: T. Davies. **CROWD:** 1,851.



DOUG BROWN (left)

SOUTH TUMBLE TO JUVENTUS

BY CON NIKOLOPOULOS

SOUTH MELBOURNE nosedived from the top of the National League following their 2-1 defeat to Brunswick Juventus at Olympic Park.

Juventus were the deserved winners, as they

applied pressure incessantly, and although the scores were level at 0-0 at half-time, they created enough opportunities to have had the game won in the first 20 minutes.

The return of Charlie Egan and John Yzendoorn for South Melbourne made very little difference. Yzendoorn was carried from the field injured in the 41st minute.

Paul Lewis was rather

ineffective in the forward-line, failing to link with Doug Brown and Egan.

Juventus attacked right from the start and forced South Melbourne on the retreat.

After half-time, Juventus came out with even more vigour and enthusiasm and hit the lead in the 51st minute when Gary Ward broke from defence and scored with a left-foot volley from the edge of the area.

Six minutes later it was Swinscoe who increased the margin with a header.

South Melbourne fought desperately to reverse the tide, but failed, despite pulling one back

through Lewis in the 83rd minute in a goalmouth scramble.

Billy Rogers towered in defence for Brunswick Juventus, blotting Brown out of the game, while Robert Cullen did an extremely good job against Kenny Murphy.

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Laumets, Russell, Davidson, Blair, Kalafatis, Yzendoorn (Kanesoulis 41), Murphy, Lewis, Crino (Kiakos 69), Egan, Brown.

BRUNSWICK JUVE: Keogh, Geremia, Swinscoe, Hird, Dowie, Rogers, Cullen, Miranda, Lloyd, Ward, Zinni.

REFEREE: S. Mellings. **CROWD:** 8,000.

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE

MARCONI 1 (Sharne) LEICHHARDT 3 (Tredinnick, Gray, Bradley) at Marconi Stadium. Crowd: 1,851.

CANBERRA 1 (Mihalidis) PARRA MELITA 2 (Duarte, Farrugia) at Bruce Stadium. Crowd: 1,809.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 2 (Katholos 2) PENRITH 0 at Pratten Park. Crowd: 3,157.

BLACKTOWN v ST GEORGE at Gabbie Stadium — rained off.

WEST ADELAIDE 2 (Konstandopolous 2) ADELAIDE CITY 1 (Maxwell) at Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd: 5,000.

SUNSHINE GC 0 PRESTON 2 (Campbell, Opasnik) at Chaplin Reserve. Crowd: 3,000.

FOOTSCRAY 0 GREEN GULLY 1 (Kramers) at Schintler Reserve. Crowd: 2,500.

BRUNSWICK JUVE 2 (Ward, Swinscoe) SOUTH MELBOURNE 1 (Lewis) at Olympic Park No 2. Crowd: 8,000.

HEIDELBERG 5 (Winn 4, Patterson) MELB CROATIA 2 (Gojevic, Cumming) at Heidelberg. Crowd: 4,000.

BRISBANE CITY v BRISBANE LIONS at Spencer Park — abandoned after eight minutes because of rain.

TEAM	AGGREGATE							HOME							AWAY						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	W	D	L	F	A	Pts		
BRUNSWICK	6	4	1	1	10	8	9	2	1	1	5	5	5	2	0	0	5	3	4		
STH MELB.	6	3	1	2	12	7	7	2	1	0	8	2	5	1	0	2	4	5	2		
PRESTON	6	2	3	1	6	4	7	1	2	0	4	3	4	1	1	1	2	1	3		
WEST AD.	6	3	1	2	7	8	7	2	0	1	5	3	4	1	1	1	2	5	3		
H'BERG	6	2	2	2	10	8	6	2	1	0	9	4	5	0	1	2	1	4	1		
BRISBANE C.	5	2	2	1	6	5	6	0	2	1	2	3	2	2	0	0	4	2	4		
AD. CITY	6	2	2	2	6	6	6	0	2	1	3	4	2	2	0	1	3	2	4		
MELB. CROATIA	6	2	2	2	12	13	6	1	1	0	4	2	3	1	1	2	8	11	3		
FOOTSCRAY	6	1	2	3	7	8	4	0	0	3	2	5	0	1	2	0	5	3	4		
BRISBANE L.	5	1	2	2	5	9	4	0	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	4	5	3		
GREEN GULLY	6	1	1	4	4	11	3	0	0	2	2	5	0	1	1	2	2	6	3		
SUNSHINE	6	0	2	4	1	7	2	0	1	3	0	4	1	0	1	1	1	3	1		
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SYD. CITY	5	3	2	0	12	4	8	0	1	0	1	1	1	3	1	0	11	3	7		
OLYMPIC	6	3	2	1	10	4	8	1	0	1	3	2	2	2	2	0	7	2	6		
LEICHHARDT	6	3	2	1	10	7	8	2	0	1	4	3	4	1	2	0	6	4	4		
PARRA MELITA	6	3	2	1	8	6	8	1	1	1	4	4	3	2	1	0	4	2	5		
NEWCASTLE	5	3	1	1	8	3	7	2	1	0	5	1	5	1	0	1	3	2	2		
ST GEORGE	5	2	2	1	6	4	6	2	2	0	6	3	6	0	0	1	0	1	0		
BLACKTOWN	5	2	2	1	8	7	6	1	2	0	5	4	4	1	0	1	3	3	2		
PENRITH	6	2	2	2	10	10	6	1	1	1	6	7	3	1	1	1	4	3	3		
CANBERRA	6	2	0	4	13	11	4	2	0	1	9	5	4	0	0	2	4	6	0		
SYD. CROATIA	5	1	2	2	7	13	4	0	0	2	1	8	0	1	2	0	6	5	4		
MARCONI	6	1	1	4	6	11	3	1	0	2	4	6	2	0	1	2	2	5	1		
W'GONG	5	0	1	4	4	14	1	0	0	2	1	6	0	0	1	2	3	8	1		

SWEET REVENGE FOR WESTAD

BY TOM MCKAIN

WEST ADELAIDE scored a sweet revenge over Adelaide City at Hindmarsh Stadium with a 2-1 win.

City won the opening round clash 1-0, and 5,000 fans who attended the return game were not disappointed.

The vital first goal came in the 38th minute when West striker George Konstandopolous hit the ball hard and low from close in to give City goalkeeper Willy McNally no chance.

He struck again in the 47th minute from the right side of the box, sending the ball through a ruck of players into the net.

But it was not all West, and when midfielder Steve Maxwell hit back for City in the 87th minute with a rising shot from the right which hit the underside of Gary Sproul's bar and went in, it was still anyone's game.

Sproul was one of West's heroes, while at the other end of the field, McNally was also in the action.

Manecas was again a surprise choice by West coach Sam Salabasidis. The coloured Portuguese player was out of

the game last season, but impressed when he made his comeback against South Melbourne.

He played a roving role against City, and his ability to hold the ball and his experience assisted his younger teammates.

City were minus midfielder maestro Charlie Villani with a broken toe, but New Zealand international Glenn Dods made his comeback at right-back.

In these days of alleged poor crowds and falling standards, this was one game which gave us hope for the future.

WEST ADELAIDE: Sproul, McGregor, Brown, McGachey, Honeyman, Panagis, Hiern, Manecas (Stamatelopoulos 83), Atsalas, Konstandopolous, Malavazos.

ADELAIDE CITY: McNally, Shillabeer, Nyskohus, Melta, Flounders, Maxwell, Mullen, Gatenby, Rankin, De Vito, Dods.

REFEREE: M. Browning. **CROWD:** 5,235.



EAGLES EXPLOIT ARROWS DEFENCE

BY BERNIE HARRIS

THE loyal supporters of Parramatta Melita Eagles, who almost outnumbered and certainly outcheered the Canberra Arrows faithful, revived memories of days of old at Bruce Stadium as they flaunted their red and white flags to encourage their team to a well-merited 2-1 victory.

The Eagles capitalised on an amazingly lethargic Arrows midfield and backline.

Arrows captain Steve Bryant, who was replaced four minutes into the second half, barely got over a trot for lengthy periods, and defender Paul Ontong seemed to be "lost" on many occasions.

Considering the Arrows' general ineptitude in defence recently, coach Doug Collins tried unsuccessfully during the week to purchase Ray Vlietstra from Wollongong City.

It was a defensive error which allowed Don Allan to sneak a pass to Dennis Duarte to score from eight metres out.

Four minutes from half-time, Arrows keeper Tony Franken dived at the feet of John McKie to deny him, while at the other end Alex McPherson saved from the fleet-footed Frank Farina on several occasions.

Nine minutes into the second half, after Franken had

blocked a shot but not cleared the danger, Ontong handled on the line.

From the spot Ray Farrugia brought cries of unbounded joy from the Melita fans, as he extended the lead to 2-0.

Canberra were awarded a penalty for a blatant foul on Farina, but Andrew Brockbank drove the ball wide.

The Arrows finally sparked into something approaching their best attacking form after 19-year-old replacement John Mihailidis scored his maiden NSL goal with 12 minutes remaining.

CANBERRA: Franken, Ontong, Jones, Hogg, Redmond, Farina, Phillips, Bryant (Mihailidis 49), Brockbank, Sermanni, Gibson (Reis 45).

PARRA MELITA: A. McPherson, McAusland, Tredinick, McGinn, Wilson, Allan, Farrugia (B. McPherson 78), Griffiths, Davies, Duarte, McKie (Jamieson 45).

REFEREE: P. Rampley. **CROWD:** 1,809.



Sydney Olympic's Alex Lambropoulos and Penrith's Brian Jackson in a challenge at Pratten Park.

KATHOLOS RECOVERS

BY TOM ANDERSON

THERE'S no better action in this wide world to bring a footballer back to reality than a good kick up the posterior!

This was proved beyond all doubt by Sydney Olympic's Peter Katholos, who scored both goals in his side's 2-0 win over Penrith at Pratten Park.

Katholos had a controversial start to the season. He was in conflict with club coach Manfred Schaefer which culminated in a transfer request and time on the substitutes' bench.

One thing led to another with the situation

anything but satisfactory to either player or club.

Then last Saturday new Soccerroo coach Frank Arok left Katholos out of his 40-man squad for the coming international series against the overseas touring teams.

And rightly so — for up until the weekend Peter Katholos has never looked like a national team player.

For the Kat this was a real body blow and it cer-

tainly hit home where it hurt the most — his pride!

But to give the big fellow credit where it's due, he showed a great deal of character and courage as he started his fight back to the top against Penrith on Sunday.

His two goals in the 47th and 87th minutes were well-taken affairs and he displayed an attitude and competitive spirit that had previously been missing from his play this year.

Katholos' goals and performance were the highlights of a game that never reached any heights.

Penrith played a spoiling game and in very windy conditions this stifled Olympic's usual attacking brilliance.

In the end Olympic deserved its win, and Penrith despite the loss did reasonably well as better teams have left Pratten Park empty-handed.

As for Katholos — well if he can retain his newly-found attitude and competitive spirit, he could find himself back into representative reckoning well before the end of the season!

OLYMPIC: Meier; Rogers, Coady, Lambropoulos, Jennings; Naumov, Raskopoulos, Phillips; Patikas, Soper (Patalis 86), Katholos.

PENRITH: Freeman; Brogan, McIntosh, Daley, Cross; Hunter, Wotherspoon, Lindsay (Ainsworth 72); Fitzharris, Cotton, Jackson (Colusso 80).

REFEREE: G. Power. **CROWD:** 3,157.

WASHOUT IN BRISBANE

BY GREG RUSSELL

THE local derby between Brisbane City and Lions was abandoned after only eight minutes at Spencer Park, when a weekend of near-cyclonic conditions eventually took its toll.

Although referee Allan Kibbler had declared the ground playable an hour before the kick-off, torrential rain swept by high winds continued to drench Spencer Park.

By kick-off time, four large pools had formed on the surface, as several centimetres of water covered some parts of the ground.

The match was started, but within seconds it was obvious the game could not be completed. Passes stopped dead in the puddles, and players skidded wildly into tackles.

Mr Kibbler persevered for as long as he could — hoping for a break in the rain, as Spencer Park would have drained quickly.

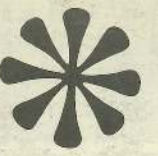
But with no let-up in sight, he called over the two captains and ended the match.



SYDNEY OLYMPIC

VS

MELB CROATIA



SYDNEY OLYMPIC'S PETER KATHOLOS

SUNDAY APRIL 15

PRATTEN PARK

KICK-OFF 3PM



MELBOURNE CROATIA'S TOMMY CUMMING

INTER-CONFERENCE CHALLENGE ROUND



ROUND UP

HEIDELBERG WIN THANKS TO WINN

BY ROY GILBERT

FORMER Marconi forward Steve Winn was the Heidelberg hero of the hour at Olympic Village in Melbourne where his goalscoring talent shattered Melbourne Croatia 5-2.

Four of Heidelberg's five goals were credited to Englishman Winn, a state of affairs which must have caused comment at Marconi Stadium where Leichhardt Apia beat Marconi with ease.

Winn, despite his great talent for putting the ball in the net, had many willing helpers in a good-looking Heidelberg side.

Mike Peterson and Mike Valentine did well in mid-field, as did the team captain, Theo Selemidis.

In the early stages of the match, there was no suggestion that either team would get a runaway victory.

For 25 minutes, the scoreboard remained blank. Then Winn struck to

score from a throw-in by Scot Patterson and Heidelberg went in at half-time just one goal ahead.

Soon after the restart, Winn scored the second goal and added a third for his hat trick in 62 minutes.

Four minutes later, Patterson scored with a penalty kick before Winn was on target again for his fourth goal.

Croatia, by now rather demoralised, provided second half goals through Steve Gojevic and Tony Cummings but this had no effect on the outcome.

HEIDELBERG: Olver, McKie, Gabrielson, Yankos, Macleod, Valentine, Selemidis, Peterson, Winn, Vagias (Metaxas 85), Patterson.

CROATIA: Blasby, Campbell, Biskic (Markovac 62), Gojevic, Brogan, Curcio, Parton, Adams, Hannah, Peter, Lewis, Cumming.

REFEREE: C. Bambridge.
CROWD: 4,500.



WINN

STEVE WINN (left): hero

NSL YOUTH LEAGUE

BY PETER RUSSELL

IN a depleted National Youth League programme this weekend, there was a sensational result in Canberra where AIS thrashed League leaders St George 9-2.

The only two remaining matches, Canberra v Melita Eagles and Marconi v Leichhardt, resulted in draws.

It must have appeared to league leaders St George that all hell broke loose in the second half of their match against the Australian Institute of Sport.

After a relatively quiet and scoreless first half in which both sides played attractive open football, with the Institute possibly having a slight edge, there was nothing to indicate what was in store for the second half.

But the second half was only one minute old when it started with Lou Hristodilou winning the ball from a Saints defender before running in to score from an acute angle.

Five minutes later Warren Spink made it 2-0, but just two minutes later Alvaro Folladosa made it 2-1 and the game still seemed evenly balanced.

Then, in an amazing 14-minute spell, Jimmy Shoulder's boys cracked in seven goals, with Spink leading the charge with three more to give him four for the game. Hristodilou got his second from the penalty spot, whilst Peter Andrews, Darren Northam and Sean Ingham got the rest for AIS.

Nicky Papas got a late consolation goal for the Saints to make the final scoreline 9-2.

At Marconi Stadium, the two Italian rivals still couldn't get the better of each other and like their first round encounter the game finished up a draw. But it was no dull affair.

It was end to end stuff with plenty of goalmouth incidents to keep the fans on their feet and both keepers

Dragan Pupovac (Marconi) and Bob Catlin (Leichhardt) busy.

Renato Bonora opened the scoring for Marconi in the 54th minute from a good cross from Tony Marino. Frank Speranza got Leichhardt's well-deserved equaliser in the 74th minute.

Leichhardt should have won on the chances created, but the keepers and the woodwork kept the scorelines level.

At Bruce Stadium on Sunday, Canberra Arrows looked set for another good win against Melita Eagles when they scored two goals in the 17th and 18th minutes through Marko Perinovic and Vic Fernandez Jr (penalty).

The Arrows were clearly faster to the ball and on top of the Eagles, but the visitors should have pulled one back before the break when Stuart Johnston missed from the penalty spot after Paul Andricopoulos had been pulled down. Ron Genovese scored from the spot in the 62nd minute and Andricopoulos got the equaliser three minutes later.

NEXT WEEKS MATCHES

Tues Apr 10:
Wollongong v Croatia (6pm Dapto Showground)
Sun Apr 15:
Marconi v Canberra (12.45pm Marconi)
Newcastle v Wollongong (12.45pm Adamstown Oval)
AIS v Blacktown (12.45pm Bruce TAFE)
Olympic v Sydney City (12.45pm Pratten Pk)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St George	6	4	1	1	19	17	8
AIS	4	3	1	0	13	3	7
Melita Eagles	6	3	1	2	11	13	7
Sydney City	4	3	0	1	11	8	6
Leichhardt	6	2	2	2	8	6	6
Blacktown	5	3	0	2	7	6	6
Canberra	5	2	1	2	13	9	5
Penrith	4	2	1	1	10	8	5
Newcastle	4	1	3	0	3	2	5
Marconi	6	1	3	2	8	9	5
Olympic	4	2	0	2	11	9	4
Wollongong	4	0	0	4	6	13	0
Croatia	5	0	0	5	5	18	0

CON CAN CHEER!

BY HARRY HALL

PRESTON midfielder Con Opasinis celebrated his inclusion in the national squad with a 25-metre goal that sealed his team's 2-0 win over Sunshine George Cross.

Opasinis figured well in the game, and it must have given his coach Peter Ollerton great pleasure to see him performing at his best once again.

Much to their credit, Sunshine resisted determinedly after conceding a ninth minute goal, scored by George Campbell.

The little Scot bundled the ball into goal following a cross from the right wing by Ljube Petrovski.

Although the underdogs, Sunshine pressured Preston, and exposed some gaps in the midfield, but failed to capitalise on their chances.

Preston's well-drilled defence foiled Sunshine's second half attacks, with coach Ollerton making a substantial contribution on the field.

Opasinis sealed the victory in the 73rd minute with his 25 metre drive.

SUNSHINE GC: Contini, Bennett, O'Reilly, Richardson, Taylor, Jovanovic, MacLaren, McGorian, Gilder (Latif 62), Campbell.

PRESTON: Potter, Petrovski, Dunn, Ollerton, Opasinis, Illioski, Lucchesi, Odzakov, Heys (Livingstone 85), Cole, Campbell.

GEORGE CAMPBELL: first goal!



ROONEY CRACKS FIRST WIN

BY ROGER VERNON

FOOTSCRAY crashed to their third successive home defeat, this time to newly-promoted Green Gully 1-0.

For Jimmy Rooney's side, it was their first win in the National League, and they are maturing quickly.

A goal by young defender Ron Kramers settled the issue in the 55th minute, when he touched in a Jim Williams free-kick.

Williams was unlucky not to get on the scoresheet himself, twice hitting the crossbar.

Footscray seemed to regain their strength after the goal, but failed to capitalise on the chances they created.

They improved after Kyri Kyriakouleas replaced Graham Tutill. This allowed Gary

McDowell to move forward to increase his team's attacking strength.

However, the young Green Gully side held on. Coach Rooney said his side will surprise their opponents in the weeks to come.

GREEN GULLY: Denys, Beranic, Hogben, Kramers, Cannell, Wade, Smart, Vassallo, Toal, Carter, Williams.

FOOTSCRAY: Tsigaras, McDowell, Hazabent, Tansey, Tutill (Kyriakouleas 74), Belic, Taylor, Carroll, Paton, O'Donnell, Lujic.

REFEREE: E. Venios.
CROWD: 2,500.

GUTENDORF GETS SUCCESS WITH YOMIURI

BY TOM ANDERSON

FORMER Socceroo coach Rudi Gutendorf has certainly had the last laugh on his detractors here in Australia.

Rudi has become the "Messiah" of Japanese Soccer.

The controversial coach can do no wrong in the Land of the Rising Sun, and goes from success to success.

Gutendorf is the manager-coach of the powerful Yomiuri club in Tokyo — most probably the richest football club in the world.

Last season under the astute guidance of Gutendorf, Yomiuri won the

Japan championship for the first time in the club's history.

Last week they followed this up with a win in the Japan Super Cup, downing Nissan 2-0.

Not only has Gutendorf introduced a winning note into the Yomiuri set-up, he has increased their home attendances from 10,000 to 25,000 at the magnificent Olympic Stadium at Tokyo.

Amateurism

But Gutendorf has more on his plate in Japan than just guiding Yomiuri to honours.

In the years gone by, Japan has been one of the last bastions of amateurism in the world of Soccer.

All the top clubs are owned by large companies such as Yomiuri, Hitachi, Nissan, etc, and the players get paid for working for the company and not for playing football.

Now Rudi has been brought there by the Yomiuri club to sell "professionalism" to the Japanese sporting public and football authorities.

Who better to do this than Rudi Gutendorf — the international citizen of world football.

He has coached in every nook and cranny in the world, in places such as Chile, Nepal, Tanzania, Bolivia, the USA, Australia, Fiji, and Switzerland.

Always surrounded by controversy, he has the panache and knowledge to get Soccer into the headlines.

He introduced a youth policy in Australian Soccer that is now one of the most valuable commodities of our game.

Nothing or nobody can ever take this away from Rudi.

The big professional sport in Japan is baseball and the top team is the Yomiuri Giants — the Soccer team's counterparts.

Gutendorf and the Yomiuri organisation want the Soccer team and its successes to be on par with the baseball team — which is indeed one tall order.

Forward

As usual, Gutendorf has not been backward in coming forward with his ideas on professionalism in Japan.

"Amateurs do it for fun. For professionals it's a tough job. It's a full-time job. You have to suffer and sacrifice and concentrate on the job," is Gutendorf's message.

"Also there is the matter of money.

"Professional baseball players make good money, so too should professional Soccer players in Japan.

"There is a feeling in certain quarters in Japan that amateurism is clean. But there is a great deal of money that changes hands under the table. In fact it is the world of professionalism that is clean — you perform you get the money without any under-the-table nonsense.

"Not only does professionalism affect the performance of the players but also the organisations. Higher level of professional play draws more fans and makes more money for the team owners."

Popular

Rudi's message is getting through to the authorities in Japan and the game is now on the way to becoming one of Japan's most popular sports.



GUTENDORF shares a joke with German Chancellor Helmut Kohl on a visit to Tokyo

The set-up at the Yomiuri club is simply magnificent and there is no language barrier at the club.

Rudi's assistant is Japanese coach Kenji Yuasa a Cologne Sports Institute graduate who speaks fluent German and English.

Japanese Soccer clubs are allowed to field three overseas players and the Yomiuri club has a top Yugoslav goalkeeper, three Brazilians and Scot Steve Paterson on its books.

Big Steve, who played for Sydney Olympic last year, has started off his stint in Japan in magnificent style with 13 goals in five pre-season games.

"I'm loving every minute of it up here, and it's marvellous," declared Paterson this week.

"I have a good contract, have been provided with a marvellous flat and a new car.

"The set-up is out of this world — what more can a man want?"

Both Gutendorf and Paterson had their moments in Australia, and in my opinion at times received treatment they didn't deserve.

However, they have had the last laugh and while the arguments and trouble continue here, they are now in clover.



GUTENDORF directing traffic at training



STEVE PATTERSON shows his style with a bit of shooting practice

Succumbed

MOST dedicated Soccer fans felt recently that the game was finally realising a new lease of life in that through the Youth League Districts together with the recent success of our Australian Youth squad, the sport of Soccer in Australia was starting to mature.

But no, our brilliant administrators have now succumbed to the verbiage of ethnic club leaders to change the Aussie-named clubs back to their ethnic backgrounds. This is only causing a nasty feeling between all other ethnic groups who are one-eyed towards the country they left and are now supposedly "naturalised" Aussies to form their own backgrounds. The youth playing the sport have no say in the matter. They are always prepared to play Soccer anyway because of the skills required and if given a chance would leave parents at home instead of having them on the sideline causing inconvenience in their foreign tongue.

You people on the sidelines, leave the kids to play Soccer, and if you can't encourage them to improve through sportsmanship, just clap.

On a happier note, give us more pages of Youth League.

BRIAN LANNEN, South Camden.

Dad replies

AS the father of the 14-year-old denied the right to transfer to another club because we signed a form when he was chosen for the State team, I wish to reply to Mr Bones, who is an official of the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation.

I applied for my son to move because the new club has better facilities and their appointed coach, I felt, could teach my boy a lot. I still feel the same way.

It is not true that the team trains three times a week. They train twice.

I cannot see how an Association can make rules but break them in some instances. I feel it is discriminating against my boy.

CHARLES VELLA, Fairfield West, NSW

Addresses

I AM a regular ASW reader and have been for years.

In the "Editorial" column of the March 20 issue, you mentioned what we should and shouldn't do to sell Soccer. You also brought the example of the Japanese car market. I must congratulate you for that, I agree with you 100 per cent.

READERS FORUM

In this spot every week, we shall publish extracts from readers' letters — good or bad! If you want your opinions aired, please keep letters and postcards short and to the point. Write to The Editor, AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY, PO Box 406, Broadway, 2007.

But, I must say like you give it, you must be able to take it. ASW is neglecting to do one of its important tasks for example, can you find where St George Stadium is on the street directory? Marconi Stadium? Melita Stadium?

FRANK CACHIA, Putney, NSW.

Promotion

I WHOLEHEARTEDLY agree with your editorial (ASW March 20) when you criticised the lack of interest by clubs and their officials to promote Soccer through your paper.

I, as publicity officer of the Albury-Wodonga Soccer Association, have the same trouble getting news items from several local clubs affiliated with the Association. During the last four Association meetings I requested the

delegates, who are mostly president or secretaries of clubs, to provide me with some items concerning their clubs, players and officials. So far I've had response only from four clubs out of the 12.

As you stated in your editorial it takes a few seconds to pick up the phone and give the "Fourth Estate" a chance to promote Soccer.

F.R. FINLAY, Publicity Officer, and Riverina Branch NSW ASF

THAT game!

I SHOULD like to air my opinion on the Olympic Sydney City game. I only saw the game on Channel 0/28, and consequently can only comment on that portion of the game I saw. I

must add that I have been involved in the game we all love for 40 years at all levels.

I feel sure Gomez and O'Connor deserved to be sent off. Kosmina might have been a little unfortunate to collect his first yellow card but he did appear to grab the ball in falling over. Having been cautioned for that offence, the referee had no alternative but to send him off for the subsequent offence.

The Laws of the Game are quite specific on this point.

A friend of mine (a City supporter and ex-Hakoah player) who was at the game agrees with my opinions of the sending off. He is also critical of Eddie Thompson's comments attributed to him in the press. He states that ALL the media reports on the supporters' fights were blown out of all proportions.

The half-hour of the game I saw on TV reinforced my view that Mr Mike Hill knows little about the administration of the Laws. It is very easy for him and other "experts" to comment from the sideline. Let them go out there and try to control 22 players, the vast majority of whom would not get a

game in a decent competition — some of them going out to deliberately maim opponents. They then might appreciate how difficult a referee's job is.

This letter may get me into strife in a certain quarter, but I feel it is time somebody stood up and shouted "enough". I love Soccer. It is such a simple and beautiful game, but unless we get out players to play it that way, Australia will remain a third-rate Soccer nation.

ROBERT GRIFFITHS, Engadine, NSW.

Condemn

ANYBODY would condemn the behaviour of the Sydney City players.

NSL has to step in and punish the offenders. If we do not want to see the same again, they have to be made an example of. Tony Pezzano, John Kosmina and their coach incited Olympic fans.

GEORGE KOURGIALIS, South Strathfield, NSW.

A shame

WHAT a shame.

I'm referring to the game between Sydney Olympic and Sydney City.

I want to ask where is the

glamorous club of the past, Sydney City, when it was a big league to see them playing? I don't blame the players as much as I blame their coach.

Sydney City, I think, will feel the pinch more than Sydney Olympic because the majority of Olympic supporters will black-ban all Sydney City home games from now on.

CON KOVKOUTORIS, Greenacre, NSW.

The jungle

YOU can forgive the players if they were a bit rough. You can forgive the ref if he made the odd mistake. You can forgive the coaches if they became too involved.

But the people who can never be forgiven for the terrible things at Pratten Park are the spectators who threw cans and other things on to the field.

There is never any excuse for hooliganism among the fans. It has got right out of control in the UK and supporters of Sydney Olympic cannot be allowed to let the same jungle atmosphere take over in Australia.

H. HOLT, Bondi, NSW.

CHIT HAT



WATCH for a new name in the Adelaide City line-up — Erny Luongo.

A midfielder, he has been starring in the reserve team for the club's State League First Division side and has made the bench for the NSL squad with Charlie Villani out for three weeks with a broken toe.

Coaches are predicting a star future for the 17-year-old Luongo.

PENRITH CITY midfielder Peter Nix hasn't made it on the field for the NSL team yet, due to injury.

Yet he has been in the action off the field ... stopping a bank robber in the centre of Parramatta.

SYDNEY CITY goalkeeper Tony Pezzano looks like holding his position for the rest of the year — providing he maintains form of recent weeks.

Pezzano has been fighting with Todd Clarke for the first grade spot for several seasons. This year he didn't play in pre-season games because of a contract dispute but has bounced back into the top grade with renewed enthusiasm and confidence.

Luckily for Pezzano, Clarke was injured against Wollongong.

SYDNEY CITY recently introduced new strips, supplied by Umbro.

The club's main strip is Coventry City's light and dark blue stripes, while their change strip is the Arsenal away strip of yellow and blue.

THE Queensland Soccer Federation has rejected a "suggestion" by NSW for a neutral referee to control the forthcoming interstate clash at Perry Park.

The QSF replied that "only in the event of a written request from the NSW Federation would this matter even be considered."

FORMER Institute of Sport student and Brisbane City defender John Kowtan may be heading for Sydney in a bid to get back into the NSL.

Kowtan, who was played by Jim Hermiston in the City defence late last year, has been unable to win a spot under Joe Gilroy this season.

In fact, the club has not even given Kowtan an NSL number.

Kowtan has been linked in a move back to his former club Mount Gravatt, who play in the Premier League, but he has indicated that at only 19 years, he is still looking for higher things.

FAWKNER are looking to sell one or two of their visa players so that they can go into the overseas market.

Gus McLeod has wanted to sign Mark Wilson (a visa player) for sometime, but the deal has come to a stand still.

Andy Bozikas has been training at the club.

THE British Department of Employment has been asked to reverse the decision not to grant a work permit to Australian international Alan Davidson.

Arsenal placed the request.

WHEN Doug Collins settled into the ABC broadcasting box at Bruce Stadium for the match against South Melbourne, he had left his team with full and complete final instructions for the match plan.

So you can imagine his horror when, in the opening two minutes, Oscar Crino was allowed to run unmarked.

The reason was the failure of the player assigned to him to pick up his man; he marked the wrong player.

Collins fumed and the minutes ticked by. Still the players stuck to the wrong man. Finally, in exasperation, Collins galloped down the two stories to the pitch and with some well chosen and bluntly directed words put his player onto Crino.

Who was the offender? That would be telling — but Collins attributes part of the Arrows 3-1 win against Souths to the way in which from then on Crino was kept well under control.

BLACKTOWN CITY are not doing too badly in their return season in the National League.

However, their coach Casey De Bruin says the results have come through commitment.

"The guys just keep battling, and we're getting the results," De Bruin said.

He added that the team should have gone on with the job in the second half against Canberra after leading 4-1 at half-time.

"For us to be a good side, we should've put them away in the second half."

"We're lacking that killer instinct yet."

SPARE a though for Wollongong City winger Steve Ristevski.

Ristevski has joined the club after playing with Illawarra side Warilla Wanderers last season.

A skilful player, Ristevski has one big problem — he can speak hardly a word of English.

Peter Kukulovski, another newcomer to the squad, has to interpret for coach Adrian Alston, making things just that little bit harder for the Coast team as they struggle at the bottom of the League.

GREEN GULLY coach Jimmy Rooney took a lighthearted view of the questionnaires handed out by Soccerroo coach Frank Arok.

In his "leave nothing to chance" manner, Frank has covered every aspect of a player's life, likes, dislikes and abilities.

"My wife wouldn't be able to answer half these questions about me!" quipped Rooney, a former Soccerroo captain.



The Sydney City players, led by captain Murray Barnes (left), sport their new-style shirts against Sydney Croatia

JIMMY SHOULDER will take his Australian Institute of Sport team to Holland and Germany for matches in May/June.

It will be great experience for the boys but how many will survive to win places in Australia's Youth Soccerroo team in Chile next year?

Very few if the Youth Soccerroo squad is dominated by NSL players.

KEITH ADAMS, the Melbourne Croatia skipper, was in hot water with the committee of his club recently.

Adams was absent from a recent game and had previously explained to coach Terry Hennessey that he would not be available for the fixture as he had work commitments that were unavoidable.

For a while the committee were considering taking the captaincy off the stocky little defender, who is a State representative.

FORMER Soccerroo striker Billy Vojtek is considering giving away playing to concentrate on coaching his Victorian State League team St Albans.

FANS can forget a comeback by former Soccerroo goalkeeper Martyn Crook — at least for this season.

The West Adelaide custodian says he cannot whip up enough enthusiasm to win back his place from current keeper Gary Sproul.

The 27-year-old Crook has just branched out with a couple of partners into a new pest control business.

"I might make an effort next year," he said.

"But at the moment I'm way behind in fitness, and although the club wants me to play for the reserves in the State League First Division, I think I will give it all a miss this year."

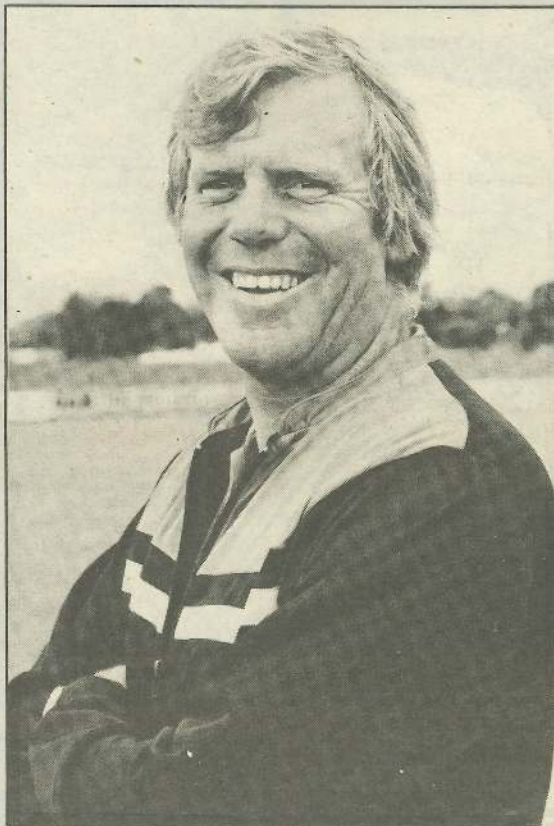
SYDNEY CROATIA will probably have to wait until early June before their star imports arrive from Europe.

The players expected to come are Vedran Rozic, Mario Galic and Bruno Cagaj.

Rozic, should be a certain crowd-puller, due to his illustrious background as captain of the successful Hajduk Split.

BRISBANE LIONS are having difficulties in signing Acacia Ridge goalkeeper Rob Farrow.

Although Ridge say they don't want to stand in the youngster's way, the \$8,000 transfer fee they insist on keeping on his head is not helping to speed up the transfer. Lions have made a counter-offer which includes half of any future transfer fee, but at this stage it appears the whole thing might go to appeal.



CASEY DE BRUIN



ALAN DAVIDSON (right)



TONY PEZZANO

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No stopping the Gabbie favourite ...

BY BRAD EARL

ASW
Personalities

IT'S SMURF!

ONE of the most popular people around Blacktown City Gabbie Stadium is Stuart Selvage.

A real character, the 29-year-old has been known as "Smurf" almost since the day he first stepped onto the park for the Demons during the 1980 season.

It was then-Blacktown coach Mick Jones who gave Selvage the nickname, reckoning that Smurfs must be about three feet tall ... or about the same size as Stuart!

Selvage has been at Blacktown for almost four years now, after being signed by Jones from Marconi for \$6,000 in the club's initial National League season.

Jones knew he had to do something fast, as Blacktown were languishing at the bottom of the table, so he brought Selvage and Leichhardt's Brian O'Don-

nell into the midfield.

That turned out to be a master stroke, as the Demons started picking up points and moving up the table.

They also silenced many critics with their now-historic 5-1 win over reigning champions Marconi.

Proud day

And that was a proud day for Selvage, as he scored two fine goals and must have had Marconi wondering why they let him go.

In the previous couple of years, he was unable to win a regular place in the team.

"However, I was competing with international players like Richards, Rooney, Byrne, Henderson

and Raskopoulos for a place in the midfield," Stuart said.

Despite the fact that he wasn't a regular in Marconi's 1979 title-winning side, that year he was selected to play in the New South Wales team against visiting Yugoslav club Vardar Skopje.

A Canterbury junior, Selvage started his senior career with Prague (which later became Yugal-Prague) at 17, and he was signed by Marconi coach Rale Rasic when he was 21.

He certainly hasn't had any shortage of top coaches in his career, and he names Joe Venglos, Leo Baumgartner, Rale Rasic (whom he caught up with again in 1981-82 at Blacktown), Les Scheinflug, Mick Jones and Casey De Bruin as having significant influence on him.

His favourite Australian player was Jimmy Rooney, which isn't surprising considering that they are similar type of players, as well as the same height!

Modelled

"I was with Jimmy at Prague when I was 17 and again at Marconi, and I modelled my game on his," Selvage said.

Selvage himself is held in high regard by fellow players.

His team-mate at Blacktown last year, John Stoddart, filled in the "Favourite Players" section of his club profile with: "Pele, George Best, and Smurf."

"Well, he's in good company there," Stoddart explained. "Stuart would have to be one of my favourite players on the Australian scene; he is very under-rated."

"And he's a character." Stoddart immediately recalled the time Smurf



Selvage in midflight during a 1983 NSW State League game against Yugal

Die out

"And then that wasn't as good as the standard back in the old days when I was first playing in the first grade."

"We don't have the personalities — players with a bit of flair."

"There also seems to be a gap from the youth side to the senior side at the national level. A lot of exciting players come through in the youth team, but at 20 or 21

they seem to die out.

As for his form this year, Selvage said it has been "fair", considering he started late and missed the Ampol Cup.

As a defensive midfielder, he seems to run kilometres during a game, getting into supporting positions when his side are attacking.

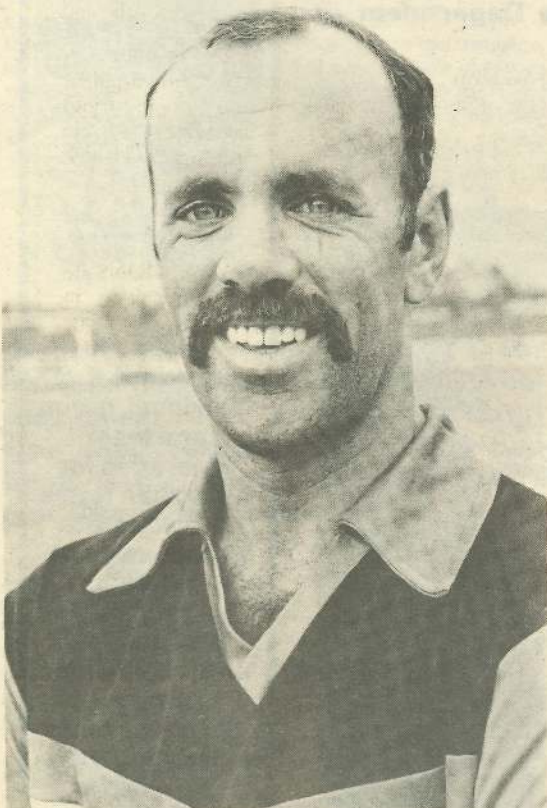
He can also fire pinpoint passes around the field, picking up a player who has made a good opening.

Blacktown City's main task this year, in Selvage's eyes, is to consolidate.

"If we finish in mid-table, we'll be more than happy," he said.

"In Robert Wheatley, Micky McLaughlin and left full-back Ian Shaw, we have some talented young players ... and myself."

"I'm only a youngster!" That suggests that Smurf will be up to his tricks at the Gabbie Stadium for some time yet.



STUART SELVAGE

BRUSASCO WILL NOT CHALLENGE

BY GREG RUSSELL

QUEENSLAND Soccer Federation president Ald Ian Brusasco has divorced himself from a campaign by Brisbane Lions to oust national boss Sir Arthur George.

Lions vice-president Hans Strik, acting in the wake of the latest blow-up between the ASF and the National League, said last week he would begin a nation-wide push to have Brusasco replace Sir Arthur.

Strik also wants ASF commercial director Peter Sheean restrained and moved a vote of no confidence against him at the recent NSL council meeting.

"The NSL clubs are disinterested with Sir Arthur.

He has done a lot for Soccer in the past but he should now retire.

"We need a change and Brusasco should take over. As for Peter Sheean, we're dissatisfied with him too," Strik said.

But Brusasco, the ASF senior vice-president, said the campaign did not have his support.

"I have always said I would never oppose Sir Arthur while he remained president. He has my 100 percent support," Brusasco

said.

Last year, the Queensland Soccer boss indicated he wanted the national presidency, but also pointed out he would only run for the position if Sir Arthur stood down.

According to Strik, Brusasco is the logical choice for a new ASF president as, not only is he one of the most experienced administrators in Australian Soccer, but he would be a compromise for the traditional rivalries between Sydney and Melbourne.

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'CENTREPOINT TOWER' IN ARROWS SIDE

THERE are probably few more popular personalities in the Canberra Arrows side than likeable Roy Jones.

In his NSL appearances Jones, labelled "Centre-point", has impressed with his displays at left-back.

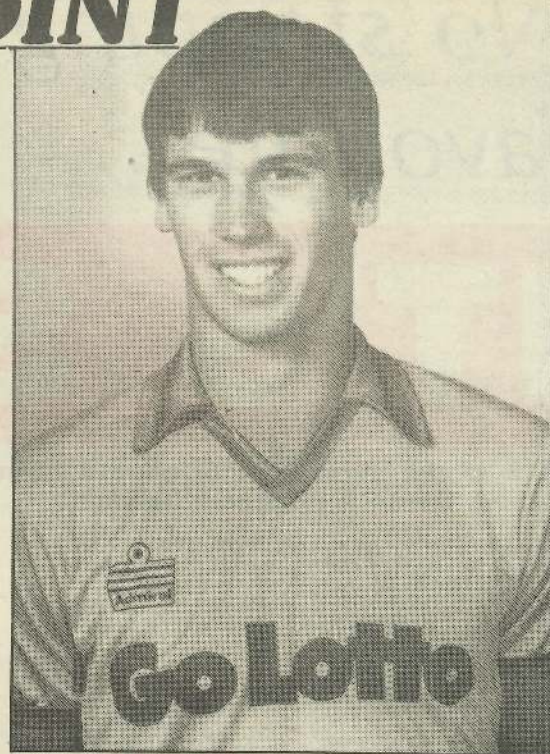
Defensively sound, Roy's overlapping excursions down the left flank are

already seen as a positive aspect of the Arrows' new-look game.

Born in Perth on September 20 1963, Roy was a member of Australia's 1983 World Youth Championship team which performed so splendidly in Mexico last year.

He joined the Arrows from the AIS — his earlier football being played in Western Australia with Forrestfield United and prior to that with the Belmont Cloverdale junior club.

He is a student teacher (primary school) and has his sights set on becoming a coach at senior level once



his playing days are over. Sydney City is his favourite other NSL club and he feels St George are the team to beat for this year's title.

Not surprisingly, he rates Alan Davidson from South Melbourne as his favourite

NSL player, and, on world scale, Junior from Brazil.

There is little doubt Roy will play a big role in Doug Collins' plans for 1984, nor that his goal in the first match against Wollongong will be the last from Roy.



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WELL DONE CHARLIE!

CHARLES PERKINS was officially appointed secretary of the Department of Aboriginal Affairs in Canberra last week.

On behalf of all Soccer fans, may I congratulate Charlie on his thoroughly-deserved appointment.

I have never hidden my admiration for Charles Perkins the Soccer player, Soccer administrator, top-ranking public servant or man.

In a short statement following his appointment — which in basic terms means he is one of the 27 highest-ranking public servants in Australia — he paid tribute to the medical team which, in 1971, had given him a kidney transplant, restoring him to health.



Charlie is pictured (left) with Canberra star Frank Farina, Prime Minister Bob Hawke and myself at last year's awards night at the Southern Cross Hotel where Frank won Channel 9's "Most Entertaining Player of the Year" award.

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SMALLMAN IS 'NOT FOR SALE' — YET!

BY TOM McKAIN

WITH the South Australian State League entering its fourth round, Adelaide's two NSL clubs are already noting the talent on view.

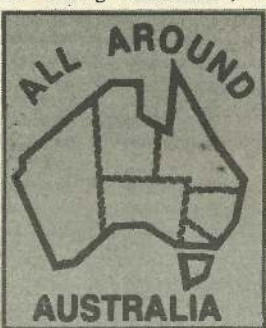
Some players have carried on with the top form they showed in the summer Ampol Cup series, but one man to make a big impact was not in the night competition.

He is Englishman Paul Smallman, an attacking midfielder who played for Bangor in Ireland.

He was brought to Australia by Salisbury captain Bobby Tuffs, who returned to England on holiday at the end of last season.

Tuffs said then Smallman

could walk into any NSL side, and so far the talented And while Salisbury may be willing to sell him, it



midfielder is proving him correct. won't be until the end of the season.

Refused

West Adelaide is expected to sign Croatia's Paul Blute, a giant striker they had hoped to sign two weeks ago.

However, Croatia refused to sell and Blute said he would stay on until the end of the year when he would be free for just under \$3,000.

West had offered Croatia

\$8,000 for the 20-year-old forward.

Another youngster who has carried on from the Ampol Cup is Chris Leyland, Beograd's tricky scoring winger whom they signed from Modbury.

He is also tied up for the season but could go — at a price — at the end of the year.

And two veterans are still on the West and Adelaide City lists, Beograd's Dusan Rusmir and Polonia's Jan Kierno.

Both midfielders are experienced, intelligent players that NSL clubs have been looking for.

However, Rusmir was contracted to Beograd for another season, and Polonia refused to sell Kierno.

The NSL clubs have been looking for back-up goal-



ROGER ROMANOWICZ

keepers, and are eyeing Salisbury's Frank Ostendorf.

Re-emerged

The 26-year-old has been "buried" in second division but has re-emerged as a star with Salisbury gaining promotion.

Ostendorf's form so far has been outstanding. A natural, he was originally with Para Hills, the same club as Martyn Crook, West's former Socceroo keeper who is "resting" this year.

David Miller, Azzurri's 19-year-old keeper, is another certain to be approached by the NSL pair.

Ironically, he was signed by West when he was 16. He made his First Division debut for Para Hills when he was 15 — and was then sent to Azzurri in a deal for defender Robbie Dunn, who is now with Preston.

At the time Miller saw no hope of ousting Crook. Miller defied West in the Ampol Cup final, and was the reason Azzurri won 1-0.

West has already admitted they will make an approach when Miller's contract runs out at the end of the season.

City could do the same. City have recalled veteran Roger Romanowicz, as they have no back-up for Willie McNally.

And there could be more names for the 1985 NSL list as the State League appears to be oozing potential talent.

LONGTON CLAIMS: 'HANDS OFF'

BY GREG RUSSELL

LAST Season's Premier League grand finalist winners, Olympic United, are set to make another challenge on the honors this year after a last minute flurry of re-signings.

Olympic, who went through the entire pre-season with only one win to their credit, a 2-1 victory over the Intermediate club, Sunnyside, seven days before the fixtures kicked-off, have finally managed to re-sign their stars of last season.

And Olympic have further strengthened their squad by signing former Brisbane City and Lions striker Billy Williamson, who was a bargain buy at \$1,000.

At one stage it seemed Olympic could lose up to five key players from last year's side. The players had left to trial with NSL clubs or refused to agree on financial terms for the coming season.

Last year's premier league leading scorer Tom McGregor was among the layers secured only days before the start of fixtures. McGregor had left Olympic to try his luck at Brisbane City then became involved in a wrangle over his clearance.

He returned to Olympic when City refused to buy him.

Andy Ogden, who had been negotiating with Coalstars, also re-signed in the final week, as did Graham Wilson, who had been trialling at Lions.

Former Lions winger Craig Low also made a late return to Olympic and was signed up again in time for the first fixture.

The only player Olympic failed to get back this season was midfielder Peter Tyson, who could not come to terms on a new contract and asked for permission to trail at Valley Trident.

In other premier league news, Mount Gravatt president Paul Longton has hit out at Brisbane's two NSL



BILLY WILLIAMSON: bargain

clubs for poaching players.

Longton told the clubs "to keep their hands off" the Hawks playing staff.

Longton claimed Mount Gravatt goalkeeper Stuart Woodruffe and stunning new midfielder Martin Kirsopp had been discreetly approached after a recent pre-season match at Perry Park.

"Officials and players from the two NSL clubs were sniffing around after the match and it was obvious they were looking for recruits. They have lured our players away in the past with promises of big

money but I can assure you it won't happen again, Lions and City will have to learn to keep their hands off our players," Longton said.

Although the two NSL clubs dismissed the claims as "rubbish", they could not have helped but been impressed with Kirsopp in his debut match for Mount Gravatt in the XXXX semi-final against Lions.

The former Sunderland apprentice, who has come to Australia after playing in the New Zealand National League with Gisborne Town, was outstanding. Although only 19, he showed great maturity with his distribution and his skills easily rivalled those of Lions midfielder Russell Stewart and his brother John.

Eastern Suburbs are another Premier League club which appears to have bought wisely in the off-season.

East, under new coach Ray Pocock, advertised extensively in southern papers for new players and selected two from more than 50 applications.

Chris Tansey, who played in Canberra for Downer Olympic, has already made a fine impression while Easts are expecting big things from their other signing Phil Lee, who previously played in Melbourne and was, according to Pocock, being chased by Sunshine George Cross.

This weekend sees the second week of Premier League fixtures and the match of the round the grudge game between Mt Gravatt and Olympic, who finished first and second respectively on the table last season.

Other matches this weekend are: Coalstars v Wynnum; Acacia Ridge v Grange Thistle; Easts v Taringa; North Star v Ipswich.

SAD LOSS FOR QLD SOCCER

QUEENSLAND Soccer has lost one of its hardest workers following the death last week of State team manager and QSF management committee member George Roberts.

Roberts, 58, collapsed and died at his West End home after attending a junior match.

Soccer was undoubtedly Roberts' life and he been manager to State teams for more than a decade and involved in Soccer as a player and administrator since coming to Brisbane from England 36 years ago.

Roberts, who was previously with the Redlands club, was heavily involved in Queensland's bid this year to repeat last season's 3-0 victory over New South Wales.

State coach Bruce Stowell described Roberts as irreplaceable.

"Roberts' death left many Soccer officials stunned. Over many years, he didn't know how to say no when asked to do a job, no matter how big or small. He was everywhere and he will be greatly missed," QSF president Ian Brusasco said.

Along with countless Soccer officials, players and personalities, many of Queensland's successful 1982 youth team attended Roberts' funeral.

Roberts had nurtured many of the youngsters, including Young Socceros, Danny Wright, Russell Stewart and Stephen Glockner, from 16-year-old youths to ensure they got a fair deal at club and national levels.

WITH the State League underway, many people believe the teams who are up the top of the ladder are there under false pretences.

Polonia, who have been by far the, best side so far, showed they were the team to beat a few weeks ago when they hammered Western Suburbs, who were top of the ladder at the

time. Suburbs have made a good start to the campaign, but need a couple of players before they will be a real threat. Jed Senson has made a good start since arriving

from England and is already being watched by Melbourne NSL sides.

Box Hill have recruited well but made a shaky start. A couple of wins should return the confidence and they could well figure in the finish.

Northcote City have had player problems but they appear to have been resolved.

My tip for the title is Fawcner, who have the players with the experience to go on and take out the championship.



GUS McLEOD

It is a credit to Gus McLeod that in his first season as coach he has got together a strong squad.

Morwell Falcons are a side that have the players but rarely seem to produce the goods. This season could well be the one for them, although they could well miss the ability of Jim McLean who has been transfer-listed by the club.

Add to this list Croydon City, who are always a difficult team to beat, and that is the State League contenders.

Knox City have got away to a good start but I don't think it will last.

Albion Rovers will have there yearly struggle against relegation, and St Albans look a certainty to return to the Metro League, as they have yet to win a game.

THE ITALIANS WERE HAPPY

BY "VAN DIEMEN"

APRIL 1 was a day of celebrations for Hobart's Italian Soccer fans as Juventus-Pioneer and Hobart City-Azzurri won their respective divisional cup finals of the Michael The Tailor Summer Cup competition.

Juventus defeated Rapid 2-1 in the Cadbury League section final while Hobart City downed White Eagles 3-1 in the Rothmans League section final before a very large crowd at South Hobart.

Tragic defensive errors led to all three goals in the afternoon's main match between Juventus and Rapid.

Pace put Juventus in front after 11 minutes when he controlled Di Felice's deep cross from the right, which had eluded both Fletcher and Dilba, before shooting low and hard on target.

It wasn't until 12 minutes into the second half that Rapid, playing without the injured Billy Kirkpatrick, managed to equalise through Neil Thomas.

Both teams missed glorious chances as the action swayed from end to end but Juventus notched the winner with 20 minutes remaining when Rapid chose to pass the ball around in their penalty area instead of clearing it quickly.

Rapid missed the heading ability of Kirkpatrick and the experience of Thompson but they can be well pleased with the marvellous display of David Clarkson, the youngster who came on as substitute for the injured John Fletcher early in the second half.

Juventus were ably marshalled by coach Ken Morton who almost scored on several occasions and who also provided good scoring chances for others. He showed a willingness to drop deep to assist his defence whenever it seemed to be wavering.

White Eagles only had themselves to blame for their loss to Hobart City as they squandered numerous chances, including a penalty, and then conceded three goals — two penalties and an own goal.

The top goalscoring awards went to Juventus' Bruce Ward (Cadbury League section) and White Eagles' Kim Barker (Rothmans League section).



KEN MORTON

FOUR SENT OFF, SEVEN GOALS

COMPILED BY ANDREW PASCHALIDIS

IN a highly controversial game in which four players were sent from the field, Rockdale Ilinden climbed to the top of the competition with a punishing 6-1 win over Avala at Knight Park.

What is even more surprising than the events of the game was the half-time scoreline.

Avala look confident, leading 1-0 through a goal by Gary Bateman.

In the second half Avala's Don Brown, Grujo Vujinovic and Robbie Lucchesi were sent off, along with Rockdale's Branko Karanfilovski.

Playing with nine players for the majority of the second half understandably took its toll on Avala and the goals flowed quick and fast for Ilinden. Terry Jones scored a

hat-trick for Rockdale, with two being scored from the penalty spot. He levelled the score in the 55th minute with an opportunistic goal from close range.

Nastevski made it 2-1 when his left-foot drive hit the post and bounced in. In the 68th minute Jones scored with a penalty after Karanfilovski was brought down inside the area.

Substitute Ross Brown scored with a half-volley following some good lead-up work by Karanfilovski.

Jones scored the fifth goal from the penalty spot when Kenny Slavski was impeded inside the area.

Trajanovski made it 6-1 when he scored in the dying stages of the game.

AVALA: Thurlow, Lucchesi, MacKenzie, Barton, Vujinovic, Kodor, Brown, Duvnjak (Fernandez 25), Burrows, Bateman, Milne.

ROCKDALE: Kotzohambos, Butcher, Pilovski, Wilson, Slavski, Nastevski, Yousiph, Jones, Ristevski, Trajanovski, Karanfilovski.

win the game.

Monaro scored their vital matchwinner in the 35th minute. Bas Giampaolo was brought down inside the penalty and Willox scored from the spot.

John Stoddart, signed during the week from NSL club Blacktown City, had a good debut for his new club.

SUTHERLAND: Dart, Terry, Schumann, Dal Forno, Hesford, Groome, Rogers, Johnston (Hargrave 70), Stoddart, Cooper, Webber.

Coach John Xipolitis was pleased with his team's performance, but feels that his defensive effort should be stronger and tighter.

On the other hand, Polonia coach David Zeman was disappointed with the efforts of some of the younger players in his side.

He was pleased with the form displayed by ex-Melita Eagles player Michael Fogarty and Wojtek Nowak, who was replaced at half-time through injury.

Canterbury raced to a 1-0 lead when striker Loui Dounis scored from a free-kick.

Moments later Polonia's Henry Sobczyk could have scored from



MICHAEL FOGARTY, who was signed from Melita Eagles early this season, has been in tremendous form for new club Polonia.

BERRIES BREAK GROUND JINX

CANTERBURY-MARRICKVILLE recorded their first win of the season defeating Polonia 2-1 at Chopin Park.

This was the first time the Berries have won at Polonia's ground in four years.

In the 60th minute, John Pettas scored the visitors' second goal when he beat a couple of defenders and released a powerful shot from the edge of the area.

Sobczyk scored Polonia's consolation goal in the 82nd minute following some good passing.

POLO니아: Barker, Colusso, Hanefee, Vandenberg, Galas, Fogarty, I. Garlowski, Nowak (Thomas 45), Divani (Lumsdaine 10), Sobczyk, Kowalczyk.

CANT-M'VILLE: El Zein, Antonopoulos, Mikovic, Laws, Hantzis, Anagnostopoulos, Philipou, Fternatis, Pettas, Dounis, Joannidis.

STATE LEAGUE 1			
Aub Uruguay	V	Manly	0-1 2-2 0-1
Avala	V	R'dale Ilinden	1-6 1-1 11-2
Sutherland	V	Monaro	0-1 4-2
Warringah	V	Yugal	4-3 1-1 3-1
Polonia	V	C-M'ville	1-2 0-2 2-1
Bankstown Nat V	Ku-ring-gai		4-1 1-1 0-2
STATE LEAGUE 2			
Nth Bankstown V	W'gong	Mace	1-3 4-3 7-0
Gladesville Hby V	Penrith U		1-2 5-0 1-2
Fairy Meadow V	Blacktown U		3-1 0-4 3-3
Revesby Wkrs V	Uni of NSW		3-0 2-0 2-6
Artamon V	Belmore		2-1 4-0 0-3
Dee Why Swans	Bathurst		1-1 2-0 1-3
STATE LEAGUE 3			
Kingsford V	Mt Druit		1-3 6-2 1-2
Lane Cove V	Port Hacking		N/P
King Tomislav V	Moorebank L'pool		2-2 2-1 N/P
CSI V	Queens Park E/S		N/P
Campbelltown V	Baulkham Hls		2-0 4-2 2-2
North Ryde V	Bondi Marine		2-2 2-2 2-5
INTER URBAN 1			
Eastwood S/A V	Wenty Waratahs		0-0 4-0
Hurstville-Zagreb	Wetherill Pk		1-2 0-1
Nineveh Eagles V	Rooty Hill		1-1 0-7
Sydney Uni V	Fairfield Klev		2-5 2-2
Maroubra United	Padstow Park		0-2 0-1
Spanish Club V	Camp'town Gun-		0-1 1-3
INTER URBAN 2			
Chile Sports V	Pagewood		0-0 0-2
Trasandinos	Concordia		1-1 1-0
Green Valley U V	Chelsea		1-6 1-0
Macquarie Uni V	Macarthur U		N/P
Hawkesbury V	West U		1-1 1-1
W St Gorge V	Syd Maccabi		4-3 3-4
INTER URBAN 3			
Rangers Hajduk	Rosebery Port		N/P
Chullora V	Liverpool City		3-3 0-2
Dulwich HI V	Nepean Rovers		8-0 7-0
Smithfield H/S V	Murray Farm		2-2 0-4
Robins V	Haberfield		1-2 4-2
INTER URBAN 4			
Blacktown Wkrs V	Jedinstvo		1-2 2-1
NB: South Sydney have withdrawn			
Colo Colo V	Lansvale U		4-3 5-3
Liverpool Rang V	Argentinian Lid/U		0-4 0-1
Hellas Poseidon	Castle Hill		1-7 4-6
Concord Juniors	Welcome Sports		2-0 3-2
INTER URBAN 5			
Fairfield Ath V	Mac Yagoona		0-2 2-2
Ludd Croatia V	Greenisland		1-6 0-0
St Mary's RSL	Santiago Wands		2-2 3-0
Sans Souci	Calabria		0-3 0-4
Abruzzi V	Crescent Star		2-4 1-2

INTER STILL ON TOP

INTER-MONARO continued their fine start to the season with a hard-fought 1-0 victory over Sutherland at Seymour Shaw Park.

Inter-Monaro, a side stacked with many ex-NSL stars, are going to prove to be a handful for all sides this year.

Potentially these two teams are the best in the competition and Monaro

would have improved in confidence after winning their first battle against the Sharks this year.

Sutherland hit the woodwork on two occasions and created enough chances in the first half to

HUSSEINI LEADS A 'TOWN ROMP

BANKSTOWN-NATIONAL dealt Ku-ring-gai a savage blow, defeating them 4-1 at Potts Park.

This is the largest win Bankstown have recorded since 1982 when they defeated Polonia 5-2.

Bankstown striker El Hussein, who was taken off in the 70th minute after receiving an injury, capped a fine game with two goals.

Midfielders Phil Dolton and Wayne Parker along with defender Roy Agostino stood out in this fine team effort.

El Hussein opened the scoring in the 12th minute when he scored from an acute angle. Six minu-

tes later he scored again from close range after some good lead-up work from Parker.

Dolton made it 3-0 when El Hussein chipped the ball over the defence and Dolton volleyed into goal.

Ku-ring-gai fought back in the second half and pressured the Bankstown defence. Substitute striker Glen Jefferey salvaged some pride for the visitors when he intercepted a pass and scored in the 55th minute.

Meerbari sealed the

issue in the 83rd minute, scoring from the penalty spot after Dolton had been brought down inside the area.

BANKSTOWN: Giffin, Agostino, Cootes, Kennedy, Meerbari, Dolton, Parker, Hasnic, El Hussein (Hassan 70), Blackburn, Hennessie (Hammoud 80).

KU-RING-GAI: Lacey, Inges, Martin (Quigley), Watson, Mortlock, Dene, Bourke (Jefferey), Bertram, Tracey, Eaton, Seach.

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"THE MATCH OF THE ROUND"

BIG MATCH TO SORT OUT CONTENDERS

BY BRAD EARL

TWO clubs with their sights set on the NSW Second Division title will meet at Francis Park, Blacktown, next Sunday.

Blacktown United and Dee Why Swans have given notice that they will be leading the charge for promotion to First Division.

And their confrontation in this third round match is sure to give some indication of the fortunes for both teams this year.

Blacktown United's "Melita connection," in former Eagles products Vic Gauci and Guy Falzon, is

working well. Gauci set up two goals in United's opening 3-1 win over Revesby Workers, with Joe Ramisch (two) and Ray Eldridge scoring.

Strikers Gauci and Ramisch are combining well, and should cause many headaches for many clubs this year.

Similarly, Dee Why have strengthened their line-up, with key players in centre-back Ian Foy (previously



VIC GAUCI

with Scottish club Dumbar-ton), midfielder Jimmy Campbell and Billy Kerr.

The Swans scored a first-up 5-1 win over Belmore, and they will be a big test for Blacktown and their 15-year-old goalkeeper Mark Shillington.

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'HOLLY' SINKS OLD CLUB

MANLY remain unbeaten after their 1-0 win over Auburn Uruguay at Mona Park.

Territorially, Manly had the better of the play. Front-runners Leak, Holloway and Stuart constantly applied pressure on Auburn's centre-back combination of Watt and Planinic.

In the early stages Leak fired wide of goal for Manly and a cross from the byline by team-mate Stuart was missed by Leak and Holloway.

Auburn striker Ray Carney responded to this pressure. He made a damaging run down the left flank and his cross to Meneses was volleyed wide.

Auburn's best chance to score fell in the 73th minute. A corner from Carney was pushed against the crossbar by the Manly keeper.

With three minutes remaining Manly scored their vital winner. From a free-kick movement, Peter Falconer chipped the ball over the Auburn wall and Holloway ran through to head into goal.

AUBURN: Rosano, Parfitt, Geekie, Planinic, Watt, Kelly, Menseses, Jones, OShana, Knight, Carney.
MANLY: Cassettari, Pagano, S.Dick, J.Dick (Williamson 69), Doyle, Jones, Steven, Leak, Falconer, Holloway, Stuart.

WILLIAMS JOINS FAIRY MEADOW

BY PHIL MURPHY

FAIRY MEADOW's hopes of winning the NSW Second Division improved when they gained midfielder Neil Williams from Avala.

The former Rothmans Medal winner has shown top early season form.

Coach Mike Johnson makes no secret of the fact he is elated to have such a skilful player in his line-up

and is hoping this will rub off on some of the younger squad members.

Williams, a former Welsh schoolboy international, was also with Canterbury and lives in the Wollongong area.



NEIL WILLIAMS (right) receives his Rothmans medal in 1980 from NSW minister Ken Booth

STODDART A SHARK

BY BRAD EARL

SUTHERLAND have added a deal of experience to their State League side with the signing of left midfielder John Stoddart from Blacktown City.

Stoddart said he was unhappy that he hadn't been given a chance in the NSL team at Blacktown this year.

The 1982 Rothmans Medal winner, Stoddart, 34, was at Sutherland for six months in the 1970s before going to Hong Kong.

Previously, he played for St George, and since then he has been with Canberra City, Melita Eagles and Riverwood.

HIS GOAL the goal for Warringah was scored by Alan Dean, not Billy Bulloch.

IN last week's Rockdale Warringah match,



HELEN KEEPS THINGS GOING

ONE of the best-known faces in Northern NSW Soccer is that of Helen Lewis, who works in the Federation office at Adamstown.

Helen has a very sound knowledge of most aspects of the administrative side of

the code and recalls names and faces with consummate ease.

With Paul Whittingham, she forms an excellent office staff.

Many a club official is grateful for the usual ready answers to queries that they are able to give.

MID-STATE KICK-OFF

BY PAT ALLEN

ANYONE with the belief that this year's Mid-State competition would be dominated by the same teams as in previous seasons would quickly be revising his thoughts following some stunning upsets.

South Dubbo Wanderers met Parkes, who astounded all with an incredible 3-1 victory.

Most Mid-State followers have agreed that Parkes are the side to watch this season, but none would have expected such a start against the premiers.

The Peterson brothers Mick and Greg both played strongly and were rewarded with a goal each.

East Dubbo kept the Dubbo flag flying with an upset 2-1 win over Conobolas Rangers. Talk of internal strife within the Dubbo ranks was soon brushed aside as United got away to their best-ever start in Mid-State.

In Orange, new club Ex-Services found their baptism to Mid-State a little tough, going down 0-6 to Waratans.

Steven Hooper revelled in his position alongside captain Rob Brown, notching four scintillating goals, whilst his brother Glen also got on the scoresheet with a brilliant drive from wide out.

Gary Campbell scored the third goal of the match against his former team-mates and generally was involved in everything. Ian Macdonald too was busy in midfield as was his partner Karl Baressi.

Mudgee United showed they will be a force to be reckoned with by downing Cowra 5-1.

Revitalised by an influx of quality players including Glen Manson (formerly with Dubbo South Wanderers), Mudgee proved to be a tougher test than Cowra would have expected.

A hat-trick by Tony Walker spearheaded Lithgow Thistles to a 4-1 victory over Orange CYMS in Lithgow.

DAPTO'S GREAT START

BY PHIL MURPHY

NEWLY-PROMOTED Dapto celebrated their return to the Toohey's Premier League with a 2-1 win over last season's grand finalists Warilla Wanderers.

Dapto look set for a successful season after being promoted.

Two new players scored their goals.

Mirko Sola, who has returned to the club from Sutherland, scored, as did Robbie Davis, formerly with Fairy Meadow.

Club spokesman Tommy Kay says Dapto will do well because coach Hugh Tinney has signed the right type of player.

"We have a number of Dapto products coming up to give us depth and there is a lot more emphasis on skill at the club this season," he said.

In the past Dapto have

been recognised as a very physical side.

...

BULLI coach Norm Flanagan is pleased striker Kevin Lewis decided to stay on with the club this season.

In the off-season, Lewis seemed certain to switch to Russell Vale and Flanagan was resigned to losing him.

Something changed the player's mind and it is just as well for Bulli.

In the first round of the premiership, Lewis grabbed a hat-trick in his team's impressive 4-2 win over Shellharbour.

BULLOCH STARS

WARRINGAH-NARRABEEN scored a vital goal in extra-time to defeat Yugal 4-3 at Fraser Park.

Both sides showed a willingness to push forward. Once again Warringah displayed lapses of concentration in defence allowing three goals to be scored.

In the first two games this year the Saints have conceded seven goals.

Nevertheless, coach John Wignall felt that his team improved a great deal on last week's performance against Rockdale.

After only 20 minutes, Warringah had raced to a 2-0 lead. Billy Bulloch scored both goals, the first from the penalty spot.

Yugal retaliated by levelling the scores. Thanmidis crossed the ball to Zivkovic and he turned inside a defender to score.

John Clarke gained

possession outside the area and and powerfully drove the ball into goal.

In the last few minutes of the game three more goals were scored.

Chris Hanley ran onto a Billy Bulloch pass to make the score 3-2. Yugal substitute Denis McGrath levelled the score when he headed a Thanmidis cross into goal.

In extra-time Gary Sadtner scored the winner for Warringah after Yugal keeper Ron Gisbourne spilt the ball.

YUGAL: Gisbourne, Gogic, Gibson, Forrester, Clarke, Pahor, Turkoglu (McGrath), Zivkovic, Rokodera (Mickovski), Thanmidis, Tanoski.

WARRINGAH: P.Dean, Hiscock, Sorge, A.Dean, Taylor, Hanley, Yamine, Collings, Sadtner, Bulloch (Earl 80), Rimmer (McDonagh 60).

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Inter-Monaro v Ku-ring-gai
Bruce Stadium

Sunday April 15:
Manly Warringah v Sutherland Shire
Avala v Auburn-Uruguay
Bankstown-National v Polonia
Cant-M'ville Olympic v Warringah-Narrabeen
Rockdale Ilinden v SSC Yugal
Cromer Park
Knight Park
Potts Park
Arlington Oval
Hurstville Oval

DIVISION 2

Saturday April 14:
Parramatta City v Revesby Workers
Garside Park

Sunday April 15:
Belmore v North Bankstown
Blacktown Utd v Dee Why
Uni of NSW v Fairy Meadow
Bathurst 75 v Artarmon
Wollongong Macedonia v Gladesville-Hornsby
Blick Oval
Francis Park
Little Bay Oval
Proctor Park
Berkeley Sports Grd

NEXT WEEK'S MATCHES

DIVISION 1

Saturday April 21:
Warringah-Narrabeen v Bankstown-National
Narrabeen Fitness Camp

Sunday April 22:
Ku-ring-gai v Manly Warringah
Sutherland Shire v Avala
Auburn-Uruguay v Rockdale Ilinden
Yugal v Cant-M'ville Olympic
Polonia v Inter-Monaro
Parklands Oval
Seymour Shaw Park
Mona Park
Fraser Park
Chopin Park

DIVISION 2

Saturday April 21:
Gladesville-Hornsby v Belmore
Penrith United v Wollongong Macedonia
Artarmon v Blacktown United
Pioneer Park
Cook Park
Artarmon Reserve

Sunday April 22:
North Bankstown v Bathurst '75
Dee Why Swans v University of NSW
Fairy Meadow v Parramatta City
Potts Park
Cromer Park
Memorial Park, Corrimal



GLENDALE HIGH PUSH FOR

GLENDALE HIGH SCHOOL, situated between Newcastle's big Soccer centres of Wallsend and Cardiff, is set for a big revival in the 1984 Turner Cup.

The competition is conducted State-wide for school teams from State, Catholic and all independent schools for Under 15 representative squads.

It would not surprise if more than 300 secondary schools enter, even though the Turner Cup is only in its fourth year. What a magnificent achievement!

Glendale was quickly eliminated from the series last season when Cessnock High School from the Maitland coalfields were deserving winners.

The picture was better in 1982 as Glendale ended runners up to Sydney's Bankstown Boys High School.

They won the series in 1981, the inaugural year.

Northern schools with strong claims on honours in the Cup include Cessnock and Whitebridge High Schools.

Cessnock have retained a number of the players who won the 1983 Turner Cup. Whitebridge also have a very strong squad.

The Northern NSW Schools Soccer Federation, who conduct the State-wide Cup with the assistance of co-ordinators in each region, have made suitable arrangements for the games held in the big Hunter Region.

The Hunter Region rounds have been linked in to avoid clashes with games in the senior schools' popular Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup.

Round 1 of the Turner Cup is due for completion by Friday May 25 and succeeding rounds have been set down for successive fortnights.

The Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup round 3 is due to be settled by Friday June 1, thus working to the fortnight in between the Turner Cup games.

Victorian Eastern Inde-

TURNER CUP

pendent Schools, expected to be coached by former Victorian star forward Jim Armstrong, is expected to play a representative series in the Newcastle area later in the year.



Clubs of the NSW Central Coast Soccer Association are proud of their progress over the years. Here are the emblems of Davistown RSL and also the Umina United Soccer Club from the famed Ocean Beach.

'BUNDY' REPS GET GOING

BY STEVE STILLMAN

SELECTION trials for junior representative teams in Bundaberg are well underway.

Teams will be playing Sunshine Coast, Gympie and Maryborough on April 28-29 in competition for the Tobacco Growers Shield.

From these games, Wide Bay rep teams will be chosen to contest the State titles in July.

The coaches for the Bundaberg teams are: U12 Trevor Coates, U13 Gerry Williams U14 former State League player Darryl Por-

ter, U15 Trevor Rohd-mann.

In preparation for the rep games, Bundaberg teams are competing in the McDonalds Cup Competition, sponsored by the manager of the local McDonalds Family Restaurant, Mr Mal Foreman.

The rep teams from U12 to U14 play as a team in the next highest age-group against club teams.

CUTE LITTLE CHELSEA MISSES HER GAME

YOUNG Chelsea Gibbs just six-years-old, was ready to play for Granville RSL Soccer club in Granville District's U7 competition.

After four trial games, the young lady was well accepted by her team mates.

But then the long arm of the law reached out to pluck her out of the team.

The Association's playing rules state forcibly that all team members must be "of the same gender".

So girls can't play in boys' teams.

When Chelsea's registration was refused, Association secretary Don MacDougall said that Granville was relying on its constitution.

On the books you could presumably have a team of girls in the boys' competition, but not just one loner like Chelsea.

The trouble also is that whilst the local Holroyd Ladies Soccer Association provides football for the fairer sex, its competitions run from U10 to all-age.

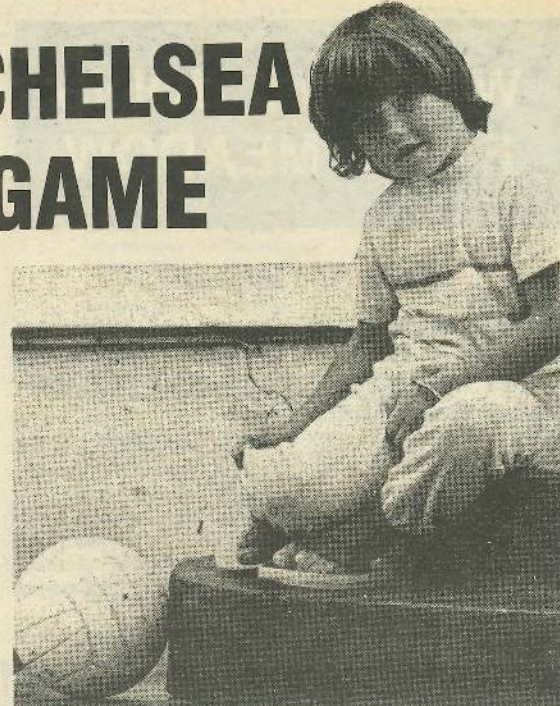
The U10 League is too advanced for six year old Chelsea.

So the cute little youngster has to bide her time, presumably until she is ready for U10s.

SOLUTION FOR COOTAMUNDRA

THE problem which faced the Cootamundra Junior Soccer Club concerning the lack of "stiff" junior competition was resolved at the Riverina Branch of the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation's March meeting.

President of the Branch, Bob Maundrell, informed the delegates that the club would split into two "clubs" within the club, to create strong competition among the junior players.



MANLY HONOURS PREMIER LEAGUE

MANLY-WARRINGAH Soccer Association has moved to give its Premier League additional prestige in 1984.

The Premier League is the top district competition, consisting of 12 clubs with

first and reserve grade teams.

There is automatic promotion and relegation with the Amateur First Division, which also has two grades.

The Association is to be commended for calling its competition Amateur First Division, as it gets away from the nondescript "all-age" tag that is so often applied.

The Premier League has the best grounds and referees each week.

It commenced in 1977 on an invitation basis, but now promotion and relegation strictly applies.

Association secretary Len Lems said: "To give further emphasis to Premier League we have decided to recognise a Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year, and Goalkeeper of the Year."

"Coaches and managers of the clubs involved will make their selections as they go around and their votes will decide the winners".

This year's strong Premier League comprises Avalon, Brookvale, Collaroy Plateau YC, Curl Curl, Forest, Freshwater, Harbord, Manly, Manly Vale, Pittwater, Seaforth and Terrey Hills.



Albury-Wodonga U8 League and cup winner — Melrose Park Rangers

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ARLINGTON OVAL	William St, Dulwich Hill
ASHLEY BROWN PARK	Northcott Rd, Seven Hills
BALGOWNIE OVAL	Para Park, Balgownie
BLICK OVAL	Holden/First Sts, Ashbury
BORONIA ST PARK	Boronia St, North St Marys
BATES DRIVE	Bates Drive, Kareela
COOK PARK	Wilson St, St Marys
CORAL SEA	Yorktown Pde, Maroubra
CROMER PARK	South Creek Rd, Dee Why
ERNIE SMITH RESERVE	Newbridge Rd, Moorebank
FAGAN PARK	Brisbane Drive, Point Clare
FRANCIS PARK	Richmond Rd, Blacktown
GABBIE STADIUM	Kennedy Pde, Seven Hills
GARSDALE PARK	Onslow St, Granville
HURSTVILLE OVAL	Dora St, Hurstville
JELICO PARK	Park Parade, Pagewood
KNIGHT PARK	Orchardleigh St, Yennora
LAMBERT PARK	Foster Rd, Leichhardt
ES MARKS FIELD	Anzac Pde, Kensington
MEMORIAL OVAL	Chapel Rd, Bankstown
MARCONI OVAL	Marconi Rd, Bossley Park
MELITA STADIUM	Everley Rd, Chester Hill
MARRICKVILLE OVAL	Sydenham Rd, Marrickville
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PIONEER PARK	Balaclava Rd, Eastwood
POPONDETTA PARK	Popondetta Rd, Mt Drunit
POTTS PARK	Graf St, North Bankstown
PONDEROSA PARK	Cowper St, Camden
PRATTEN PARK	Arthur St, Ashfield
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SERDERON THE PLASTIC MAN PRIZE

SERDERON PTY LTD, Sydney's Polythene Distributors, will award \$1,000, split between five lucky junior clubs, associations, schools and organisations for their contributions to ASW for the period April 3 to September 25, 1984.



These can be in story and/or pictorial form. Photographs should be in black and white and have good contrast, although colour snaps will usually turn out satisfactorily.

The prize are: 1st \$500, 2nd \$250, 3rd \$100, 4th \$100, 5th \$50. The decision of the editorial staff of ASW will be final.

So keep those news items and pictures rolling in to AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY, PO Box 406, Broadway, NSW 2007.



BOSCACCI CHAIRS QLD JUNIORS

ANDY BOSCACCI (Townsville) has been appointed president of the big Queensland Junior Soccer Council.

He succeeds Stan Dye, now senior vice-president, following his elevation to the chair of the Australian Junior Soccer Council.

Stan Dye and secretary Mrs Pam Gilbert are the two life members of the Queensland junior body.

The fourth member of the Sunshine State executive is treasurer Barry Bainbridge from Bundaberg.

The QJSC has been saddened by the unexpected passing of George Robers, who managed the Queensland U16 and U19 squads.

Mrs Gilbert said: "Whilst

George was connected to the Queensland Soccer Federation, he was a very active and long time supporter of the juniors throughout the State.

"We are all going to miss him very much."

The State Championships have been set down for the June/July school holidays.

The U13 titles will be hosted by Brisbane North at the North Star Soccer Club grounds at Zillmore.

Venue for U14 is at Mackay and U15 at Cairns. Appointments to the

Queensland State teams are: U13; coach Jim Dolan, manager John Bomben; U14; coach John Burgess, manager Stan Dye; U15; coach George Pagan, manager Barry Bainbridge.

The U13 manager Jim Dolan was successful with the Queensland U15s in last year's Australian Championships.

Queensland has nine junior zones which encompass the entire State. It is one of the highly successful junior organisations of Australian Soccer.

The zones are 1: Far North Queensland (Cairns); 2: North Queensland (Townsville); 3: Central Queensland (Gladstone); 4: Wide Bay (Maryborough, Gympie, Bundaberg); 5: South West Queensland (Toowoomba, Dalby, South Burnett, Roma); 6: Brisbane South; 7: North West Queensland (Mt Isa); 8: Brisbane North; 9: South East Queensland (Gold Coast).

In all, the State has 30,000 junior players, to which can be added those who play school Soccer only.

South East zone was new to the championships last

season and made a good start.

There are thousands of juniors on the populous Gold Coast and the move to give them their own zone was well conceived.

The representative team players can be spread anywhere from the Gold Coast, through Brisbane to Cairns and further on and across to inland centres such as Mt Isa.

This provides State junior coaches with a very difficult task, but the problem has a solution.

Queensland has by far the best network of regional Soccer coaches in the whole of Australia.

State coaching director Bruce Stowell, the former Bradford City and Pan Hellenic midfielder and defender, has four regional coaches and everyone gives a hand to see that State players receive individual coaching before the squads gather together.

The men who do the job are: Jim Selby (Bundaberg), John Hewson (Mackay), John Ward (Rockhampton) and Brian Jeffs (Townsville).



ERNIE CAMPBELL (right)

FORMER SOCCEROO HELPS YOUNG NORTH TALENT

ERNIE CAMPBELL, who played 14 times for Australia at the height of his international career, is giving the benefit of his knowledge to the junior players at North Bankstown.

Campbell starred for clubs such as APIA-Leichhardt, Marconi and Melita Eagles and on his day was one of Australia's top strikers.

Club president Harold Morrice said that Campbell had been secured for a dual purpose.

He said: "Senior players with vast experience are needed so that our Second Division State League club can go up through the ranks."

"In addition they will impart their knowledge to the club's Youth League squads."

"The results of the U13 team so far this year illustrate what we are aiming to achieve."

"This squad registered wins over Ku-ring-gai, Avala and API in the Mini Ampol Cup."

"In a recent premiership game they gave Mini Ampol Cup winners Sydney Olympic a fright before going down 2-1 in an exciting contest."

Mr Morrice believes that North Bankstown, a fledgling when it comes to playing against the cream of Sydney's youth players could collect at least one

semi-final spot this year.

Another player snapped up by Norths is Wally Lachowicz, who played goal at high level with clubs such as Western Suburbs and Riverwood.

The club has acquired a sponsor in "Galvanising Services" and the firm name will be included on the playing strips.

North Bankstown's policy is to help Soccer throughout the district. Potts Park is being used by State League club Bankstown National now that they do not have the use of the former Soccer Centre.

NSW ATTACK YOUTH LEAGUE OLYMPIC'S DAZZLING START

SYDNEY OLYMPIC won all grades against Avala on Saturday, and have the remarkable record of only losing one match after four complete Youth League rounds.

This magnificent start demonstrates the depth of talent in the club.

Already this year the Under 13s won the Mini-Ampol Cup from Melita.

In Youth League competition to date, the 14s and the 16s have only had one goal recorded against them.

Playing strongly in the exceptionally talented U16 squad are Nick Gianaris and Nick Rodopoulos. Also looking good are Chris Siatris, who gained Australian honours against New Zealand last season, and State squad player Steve Chilas.

In U15, Olympic have a scoring wizard in Mark Moffitt (ex-Nepean), who has netted 17 goals in four games. This team was strengthened by the addition of Australian vice-captain David Barrett from Canterbury.

Steve Refenes, the highly-skilled former Blacktown City supersquad left winger, should come under the State coach's attention.

Darren Corbett is one of three U14 players trialling for the State at present.

Coaches for Olympic are: U13 Chris Hrist, U14-15 Greg Ankudinoff, U16 Paul Ankudinoff.

SYDNEY SWAMPED IN PRIMARIES

SYDNEY Metropolitan primary schools need to pull up their collective socks when it comes to entries in the State Primary Schools Cup competition for the Mitre Shield.

Country schools are well in the majority of the almost 200 who have entered this year's competition.

Is it some hang-up over ethnicity or some other reasons that restrict the Sydney entries?

We would like to hear from teachers, parents and schoolchildren on this aspect.

Central Coast alone has 24 teams in the competition and the North Coast a similar number.

The Bathurst area has come in with a cracking 18 teams and the southern satellite city of Campbelltown has another 15.

The first round this year is to be played by the last week in May or the first week in June.

Mitre has donated sports bags for the winners and runners-up. In addition, it has provided footballs for all NSW primary schools major competitions.

This year the intra-State open titles between the various Education Dept regions will be played at Valentine, a suburb in the Lake Macquarie district.

The U10 titles will be held at Maroubra in Sydney.

Once again Queensland, South Australia, NSW and the ACT will play out the Australian primary schools championship.

It is a pity that more States cannot see their way

clear to enter.

The series will be played for the Dunlop Footwear Trophy and the holder is NSW.

Venue for the title is Adamstown in Newcastle.

CHAMPIONS FROM THE SCHOOLBOY RANKS

MANY of Australia's leading Soccer players were well to the fore whilst they were in schoolboy ranks.

It is well worth running through the names of the players who were chosen in Australian Select squads over the year 1977/81.

See how many are gracing leading teams in Australia today.

The interstate Secondary Schools Championship was not held in 1982, but it resumed in Brisbane last season.

Selection of a player of the championship commenced in 1979, when Brett Beves, representing Northern NSW, was chosen.

The 1980 selection was Victorian Fabio Incantalupo, who appeared for Australia in the 1981 World Youth Cup in Australia and the 1983 series in Mexico.

Lenny Vial of New South Wales was chosen in 1981. This immensely talented player dropped out of the game last season due to a dispute with his club.

1977 Whyalla: Tony Pezzano (NSW), Lloyd McLean (Q), Ian May (SA), Adrian Pulton (SA), Gary Brown (SA), George Christopoulos (V), Andy Miller (V), Ken Swan (Q), Alan Robertson (NSW), Peter Katholos (NSW), Lou Sanopoli (V), Tommy O'Halloran (V), Ross Lawrence (NSW), Paul Sleight (Q), Peter Hill (NSW), Ray Boulten (NSW), Eddie Krncevic (V), Peter Tredinnick (NSW).

1978 Newcastle: Steve Blair (V), Michael Boogaard (NSW), David Brenton (NSW), Tim Brown (SA), Greg Chapman (NSW), Glen Huntly (Q), Paul Iannace (SA), Michael Loh (V), Jeff Lowe (Q), Malcolm McClelland (NSW), Lloyd McLean (Q), Tony Radford (SA), David Smith (NSW), Tom Vukovich (NSW), Peter Wilson (NSW), Charlia Yankos (V).

Australian team 1978 a special team which toured British Columbia and the US and played in the California International Youth Soccer Tournament in San Francisco: Mick Milovanovic, Danny Moulis, Paul Iannace, John Spanos, Arthur Sharp, Malcolm McClelland, Charlie Yankos, Tom O'Halloran, Eddie Krncevic, Michael Boogaard, George Christopoulos, Tony Pezzano, Peter Raskopoulos, Peter Katholos, Paul Kay, Ian Hunter, Greg Woodhouse.

1979 Brisbane (played NSW Youth team as curtain-raiser to Australia v New York Cosmos game at Sydney Cricket Ground): Brett Beves (NSW), Tony Burley (Q), David Whyte (Q), Steve Blair (V), Charles Yankos (V), Howard Tredinnick (NSW), Ian Watson (NSW), David Smith (NSW), Gary Phillips (NSW), Oscar Crino (V), Peter Raack (NSW), David Skeen (NSW), Peter Vale (NSW), Grant Lee (NSW), Ross Swan (Q), Daryl Gooch (NSW).

1980 Wollongong: Frank Casacchia (NSW), David Doorne (SA), Robert Erdeg (V), John Hood (SA), Fabio Incantalupo (V), Dennis Ivanac (WA), Chris Manou (SA), Greg Pattell (Q), Angelo Petrakes (V), John Pettas (NSW), Gary Phillips (NSW), Marcel Radojevic (NSW), Chris Saunders (SA), Lucio Signore (SA), Slobode Stojoevski (V).

1981 Melbourne: Robert Catlin (NSW), Warren Pickering (Q), Andy Tighe (Q), Ray Vlietstra (NSW), Zivko Hristovski (NSW), Morten Boe (WA), Aydin Bol (V), Gary Phillips (NSW), Savas Saglam (V), Rene De Koning (WA), Jim Kalambokis (V), Louis Dounis (NSW), Lenny Vial (NSW), Gerald Ilhan (V), Albert Ullbright (WA), Paul Tzintzis (V).

ROUND 6

Group A

	U13	U14	U15	U16
Ku-ring-gai v St George	0-7	1-2	0-0	0-3
Bankstown v Illawarra	0-2	2-4	0-1	2-7
Canterbury v APIA	0-2	0-4	1-1	0-3
Blacktown City v Auburn	2-1	3-0	2-1	0-2
Yugal v Stn Districts	3-1	0-7	0-4	1-3
Croatia v Macarthur	2-1	1-0	0-0	2-1
Baulkham Hills v Melita	2-2	6-1	3-0	2-7

Group B

	U13	U14	U15	U16
Avala v Sydney Olympic	0-1	1-7	2-4	1-6
Gladesville v Marconi	2-0	0-6	0-5	0-1
Central Coast v Sutherland	0-1	2-2	1-4	0-1
Cant-M'ville v Nepean	2-3	0-2	1-1	1-3
Granville v Nth Bankstown	3-1	1-0	4-1	2-1
Sydney City v Blacktown	5-0	1-0	7-1	1-2
Rockdale v Manly	2-0	W-O	W-O	W-O

AUSTRALIA'S WOMEN INTERNATIONALS

BY JOHN ECONOMOS



No. 11 KERRY MILLMAN

ONE of Australia's youngest international players is Queenslander Kerry Millman.

Kerry, 19, comes from a real Soccer family. Brother Ron is a former NSL player and sister Joanne is also an Australian international.

Both girls were selected by national coach Jim Selby to represent Australia last October in the first Oceania Cup tournament in New Caledonia.

Kerry is a midfielder or attacking full-back. In New Caledonia, she operated from the left-back position.

Australia crushed Fiji 13-nil in the tournament, and Kerry scored a spectacular goal in the 20th minute that opened the flood-gates for Australia.

She collected a square pass from the halfway mark, and pushed upfield along the left touchline. She glanced up for a second to see the Fijian goalkeeper well off her line. Kerry let fly a vicious, dipping right-footed lob shot from 30 metres out, that crashed just under the cross-bar.

Kerry is one of the Australian team's "good lookers", and whilst in Noumea, turned many heads with her stunning figure and golden rich Queensland suntan. Strutting around the motel's swimming pool, in her turquoise bikini, admirers could be forgiven for mistaking young Kerry for a model rather than an international Soccer player.

Full of songs, jokes and a gorgeous ever-lasting smile, Kerry Millman is a very bright, colourful, young Australian ambassador on the international Soccer Scene.

PERSONAL PROFILE

BORN: September 4, 1964.

BIRTHPLACE: Brisbane, Queensland.

HEIGHT: 5'5".

CLUBS PLAYED FOR: Eastern Suburbs Brisbane.

PLAYING POSITION: Midfielder, right or left full-back.

OCCUPATION: Clerk with the Lands Department.

FAVOURITE MALE PLAYER: Steve Hogg and Col Bennett.

FAVOURITE WOMEN'S PLAYER: Toni McMahon.

FAVOURITE OVERSEAS PLAYER: Glenn Hoddle.

ULTIMATE AMBITION: To be happy.

NUMBER OF CAPS FOR AUSTRALIA: Eight.

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: In 1983, Qld v NSW in the national titles. We drew 2-2.

WHAT SHOULD BE DONE TO IMPROVE AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S SOCCER?: Better coaching to be made available to players, and far more publicity than the little we have been getting so far. Also for the various State associations to work together a bit better for the benefit of Australian women's Soccer.

MOST INFLUENTIAL PERSON IN YOUR SOCCER CAREER: My mother and Fred Robins, the Queensland State coach.

FAVOURITE HATES IN WOMEN'S SOCCER: The knockers after every match who run down other people and teams.

OBVIOUS REMEDIES: None really I can think of. Everyone will bitch some time or other as it seems to be human nature. We just have to keep on taking it I suppose.

METROPOLITAN KICKS OFF BIG YEAR TIPPED FOR GIRLS

THE Metropolitan competition will be the top women's Soccer competition in Sydney and will do much to publicise the code.

That is the confident analysis of the president of the New South Wales Women's Soccer Federation, Phil Witcombe.

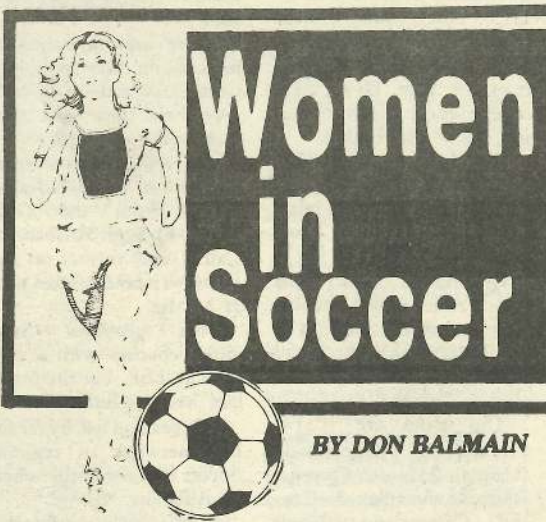
Several years ago, Alan Lytton, current senior coach of the NSW Women's Federation, felt that there should be a more intense competition other than the inter-district rounds played between associations affiliated with the NSW group.

He believed the competition would provide stronger competitiveness and so bring more girls forward with superior Soccer skills; however his idea was rejected.

Not being a person to let go an idea in which he believed, Alan went about fostering the plan and convincing people of its benefit.

Last year he again proposed the scheme, and it was accepted by the NSW group, to be operated in a cautious manner until it was either accepted completely or shelved once more.

Six teams from various associations contested the competition and, although there were certain difficulties and an amount of opposition to the project, Alan proved that it could be a worthwhile contest to be



BY DON BALMAIN

added to the NSW rounds of events.

Of the teams which made up the initial group last year, two have not come back into the contest — Sydney Olympic and Ingleburn.

The teams in the 1984 competition, which started on Sunday, are: Wenty Waratahs (from the Holroyd Association); Killarney Heights (Manly-Warringah), Epping-Eastwood 1 and 2 (Gladesville-Hornsby), Prospect United (Blacktown), Arncliffe Scots (St George), Budgewoi (Central Coast), Sydney City and Pagewood-Botany (Eastern Suburbs) and Sydney University.

Force

Wenty Waratahs have the experience of being in the comp last year and should be a force to be reckoned with.

They are coached by Garry Chamberlain, who for many years was the assistant coach for the Northern NSW senior State side.

The second strong side in the competition is the Killarney Heights outfit. It is understood that this side

contains top players from three clubs in the district this year, including two Australian representatives and several players who have turned out for NSW in recent years.

Prospect United from the Blacktown area is a new club into the top competitive circuit. After doing very well in their local competitions for many years, it will be interesting to watch their progress in this higher company.

Epping-Eastwood 1 would be probably the most successful outfit in the competition. Coached by Lal Byers last year, they took out the New Caledonian Cup in Noumea for the second year running and were highly successful in local competition.

In the Metropolitan contest they will be coached by Simon Vinson.

The Epping-Eastwood 2 side will be coached by Byers, and contains virtual-

Pagewood-Botany, also from the Eastern Suburbs association are another "dark horse".

The final team in the competition is the Sydney University side. They are late starters and were included when there was a bye.

The maximum number of players allowed into a Metropolitan side is 18. Some of the teams will consist of 14 players, with four players working on a dual registration system.

This will be possible if it comes under the individual rules of the player's association. It would mean that a player in a first division side could be given the opportunity of playing occasionally in the top class available.

Lal Byers said that, because there would be an 18-round competition, they must finish two weeks prior to the senior squad going away to play in the Nationals.



PHIL WITCOMBE

ly all the Under 17 players who went to Darwin with the NSW side. The team is led by Sue Larsen, who is helping out with the juniors.

New team

Arncliffe Scots, the dominant force for many years in women's Soccer, is fielding virtually a new team.

Some of the members of previous years' teams, Rose Van Bruinessen, Cindy Heydon and Vicki Dean, will be helped with the inclusion of four Irish international players and Toni McMahon in goals.

They have come out of the re-organisation very strongly, and once again to be coached by Alan Lytton, should hold up well.

Budgewoi, from the Central Coast, is the top side from that district and is coached by Lionel Sneyd.

Virtually unbeatable in their area, the team is strengthened by the inclusion of two Australian players, Renaye Iserief and Karen Menzies.

A well-drilled outfit, they joined the competition by invitation from the NSW body.

Sydney City is another team of unknown quality, and will be coming in having won the Eastern Suburbs competition last year.

Coached by Art van der State, they are closely associated with the Sydney City NSL club, and some home games will be played at the Sydney Athletic Field as curtain-raisers to NSL games.

"What we are aiming to do," he said, "is to play four games at night, one in April, May, June and July."

With the exception of the night games, all games will be played on a Sunday.

Games in the Eastern Suburbs will be played earlier in the day to fit in with the local competition, but all other games will be played at 3 pm.

The entire round on the Sunday in the middle of the May school holidays will be played on the Morris Bay complex in the Gladesville-Hornsby district.

In the second round, it is hoped to do the same thing in the Manly-Warringah area.

I asked Lal if the Metropolitan League, being pushed so hard as the top competition, had affected any of the other competitions.

He replied that it had to some degree affected some of the rep competitions as some of the girls have claimed that they are getting too much football, but he thought that it was only those associations who had had trouble fielding quality rep teams.

Games will be played at Centenary Oval (Wenty Waratahs), Millers Reserve (Killarney), William Lawson Res (Prospect), Morrison Bay (Epping-Eastwood), Peakhurst Park (Arncliffe Scots), Fagan's Park (Budgewoi), Centennial Park and Sydney Athletic Field (Sydney City), Jellicoe Park (Pagewood-Botany) and St Johns Oval (Sydney Uni).

TERRITORY WIN U17 TITLES

NORTHERN TERRITORY's Under 17 women's team took on the more-fancied New South Wales and Northern NSW last week in Darwin, winning the inaugural championship.

Fully scores:

Day 1 — NT 5 NNSW 1, NSW v Darwin abandoned 15 mins from end by rain (NSW led 3-0).

Day 2 — NSW 3 NT 0, NNSW 3 Darwin 2.

Day 3 — NSW 4 NNSW 1, NT 2 Darwin 0.

Day 4 — NSW 3 Darwin 0, NT 2 NNSW 0.

Day 5 — NT 2 NSW 1, NNSW 5 Darwin 0.

Day 6 — Darwin 5 NT 0, NNSW 1 NSW 0.



NO, it's not a mudfight. This playboy bunny looks more like a mud wrestler than a Soccer player.

FRENCH FANS WAIT FOR SCHUMACHER — AND REMEMBER

IT's nearly two years since West Germany's goalkeeper Toni Schumacher committed a dreadful foul on France's Patrick Battiston in the World Cup semi-final in Spain . . . but the French haven't forgotten.

Several French spectators have promised Schumacher a warm reception if he dares to show his face in the West German side at the Euro-

pean Championship finals in France in June.

This news so worried the German FA that they told national coach Jupp Der-

wall to leave the goalkeeper out of his squad.

Schumacher was understandably angry, threatening to quit international football if he was not picked.

The German FA held a three hour meeting to debate the issue before finally agreeing that Schumacher could play.

Now we must hope that French fans behave.



JUPP DERWALL

FANS PAY TO KEEP THEIR GOALKEEPER

EINTRACH BRAUNSCHWEIG goalkeeper Bernd Franke had his wages reduced recently and decided he'd retire.

But the story has a happy ending. Fans of the club decided to have a whip round to make up the 36 year-old goalkeeper's money.

Franke repaid them by signing a new one-year contract.

"My money was cut so much, I decided it was not

worth my while carrying on playing," said Franke, a former international.

THERE is no great rush by coaches to take over Spanish club, Valencia.

That's no surprise really.

Valencia have had 15 coaches in nine years, so nobody qualifies there for superannuation!

WHEN West Germany beat Belgium recently, it was the first home international the Belgians had lost in seven years.

BELGIUM'S SHAME IN BRIBERY CASE

BELGIUM'S football bribery scandals remain the talk of Europe.

International Eric Gerets, who plays for A.C. Milan in Italy, has admitted "fixing" a match between his former club Standard Liege, and Waterschei two years ago.

Standard won 3-1, a result which helped them take the first division championship.

Gerets claims he was told to contact Waterschei illegally to offer their players \$8,000 to "take things easy" in the game. The money was handed over later.

Unwisely, perhaps, it was put down in Standard's books as "expenses" with no other explanation and

this triggered off the investigation.

Standard president Roger Petit and coach Raymond Goethals have both resigned.

As for Eric Gerets, he is banned by A.C. Milan and appears to have little future in football.

SCOTLAND LOSE IN BELGRADE

YUGOSLAVIA beat Scotland 3-1 after extra-time in the European Under-21 Championship quarter-final

second leg match in Belgrade.

Goalscorers were Mance (10th min), Stojkovic (62), Cvetkovic (94) for Yugoslavia and Johnston for Scotland in 50 minutes.

Yugoslavia win 4-3 on aggregate, and meet Poland or Spain in the semi-final.

SPAIN STILL PAYS



This is the home of the Seville club — the Sanchez Pizjuan Stadium

FOR WORLD CUP

SPANISH clubs are still paying for the 1982 World Cup.

Before the Cup was awarded to Spain, clubs had to guarantee they would improve their grounds, bringing them up to top condition and spending millions of dollars to do so.

Now, two years later, the bills have to be paid to angry bank managers.

Three clubs, whose grounds were used in the attractive southern Group of the World Cup, are barely surviving financially.

They are Real Betis and Seville, both of whom play in Seville, and Malaga. The other club in serious cash trouble is Espanol the "second" team in Barcelona.

The question being asked is...why did the Spanish F.A. use 17 different grounds, including two in several cities?

Nothing would have been lost if the Cup had been confined to about 12 stadiums.

Of the 17 clubs which leased their grounds for the World Cup, no fewer than 11 are in big financial strife.

LOTS OF LOVELY LIRA

ITALIAN clubs are the world's most lavish spenders in the transfer market but they also rope in plenty of lira from gate receipts.

The local derby in Turin between Juventus and Torino was watched by 64,000 spectators who paid \$500,000 at the gate.

Juventus won 2-1 with Michel Platini getting both of their goals.

OVERSEAS RESULTS

N. IRELAND

CUP SEMI-FINALS

B'mena v C'ville 2-1
G'toran v Carrick 1-2

LEAGUE

Ards v Larne 2-0
C'raigne v D'lery 4-1
P'down v Linfield 1-4

EAST GERMANY

Ch Halle v R-W Erfurt 2-3
Dy Dresden v Lok Leipzig 2-2
Un Berlin v Wis Ave 0-0
Magdeburg v H Rostock 3-2
K-M Stadt v St Riesa 2-1
Ch Leipzig v Vorwaerts 1-1

W D L F A Pts

Dy Berlin 13 4 3 51 26 30
Dy Dresden 11 8 2 46 19 30
Magdeburg 10 7 4 44 28 27
Lok Leipzig 11 5 5 42 26 27
Vorwaerts 10 6 5 43 27 28
K-M Stadt 9 8 4 32 25 26

FRANCE

Brest v Toulouse 0-1
Metz v Laval 0-0
S Etienne v S'bourg 0-1
Monaco v Bordeaux 2-1
Paris SG v Nancy 1-1
Auxerre v Sochaux 2-0
Bastia v Nimes 1-1
Rennes v Lille 0-0
Lens v Rouen 4-2
Toulon v Nantes 1-1

W D L F A Pts

Monaco 19 9 6 52 28 47
Bordeaux 19 8 7 62 29 46
Auxerre 19 7 8 55 27 45
Paris SG 15 11 8 51 35 41
Toulouse 17 6 11 52 38 40

POLAND

Ruch Chorzow v Gks K'wiec 0-2
Gor W'zych v Sl W'lav 0-1
Gornik Zab v Wis Krakow 1-1
Lks Lodz v P S'zeczcin 1-0
M Lublin v B Gdynia 1-1
L Poznan v Wid Lodz 0-1
Cr K'ow v Szo Bytom 3-0
Leg Warsaw v Zag S'wiec 1-2

W D L F A Pts

Le Poznan 11 3 5 33 12 25
Wid Lodz 8 9 2 24 14 25
Po S'zeczcin 11 2 6 30 13 24
Gor W'zych 10 4 5 31 16 24
Mo Lublin 7 8 4 15 12 22

PORTUGAL

Porto v Penafiel 8-1
Benfica v Boavista 1-0
Rio Ave v Sporting 1-0
Estoril v G'maraes 1-1
Braga v Salgueiros 3-1
Agueda v Espinho 0-1
Farense v Varzim 1-1
Setubal v P'monense 2-0

W D L F A Pts

Benfica 21 3 1 70 16 45
Porto 20 3 2 52 6 43
Sporting 16 3 6 49 19 35

W. GERMANY

B M'gladbach v Ein F'turt 1-1
Cologne v Nuremberg 3-1
Offenbach v L'kusen 0-2
W Bremen v Uerdingen 5-2
Mannheim v K'lauten 2-0
Bayern v Stuttgart 2-2
Bochum v Hamburg 1-1
D'dorf v Bielefeld 0-0
B'wick v Dortmund 5-0

W D L F A Pts

Bayern 16 6 5 65 29 38
B M'gladbach 16 6 5 61 36 38
Stuttgart 14 9 4 57 28 37
Hamburg 15 6 6 59 30 36
W Bremen 14 6 7 59 35 34

SPAIN

Results of Spanish cup semi-final first leg matches:

Real Madrid v At Bilbao 0-1
Barcelona v Las Palmas 2-1

Second leg matches on April 18.

Espanol v S'manca 3-0
Zaragoza v Barcelona 0-1
Cadiz v At Madrid 3-1
Sociedad v Sevilla 1-0
Valencia v Osasuna 2-0
Malaga v Mallorca 2-0
Betis v Bilbao 2-0
Re Madrid v Murcia 3-2
V'dolid v Sporting 2-0

W D L F A Pts

Athletic Bilbao 17 9 5 47 27 43
Real Madrid 19 5 7 53 34 43
Barcelona 17 8 6 53 25 42
Atletico Madrid 17 6 8 47 40 40

YUGOSLAVIA

V'dina NS v Rijeka 0-0
Osijek v Bud Tito 1-0
V Mostar v Hajduk 1-1
Rad Nis v Di V'kovci 3-0
Red Star v Slo Tuzla 4-1
Vardar v Zel S'jevo 0-5
C Zenica v Pristina 2-0
OI L'jana v Di Zagreb 2-1
Sarajevo v Partizan 0-1

W D L F A Pts

Z'nicar 11 10 4 41 25 32
Hajduk 9 13 3 30 11 31
Red Star 12 6 7 40 20 30
Partizan 10 9 6 23 19 29
Rijeka 11 6 8 32 29 28

HOLLAND

D Bosch v Willem II 2-0
Pec Zwolle v Utrecht 1-2
Volendam v DS'79 2-0
Hel Sport v Sp R'dam 2-3
Fo Sittard v Ex R'dam 2-0
F'noord v Roda JC 5-2
Haarlem v PSV 0-0
Groningen v AZ'67 Alkmaar 6-2
Ajax v GA Eagles 3-1

W D L F A Pts

Feyenoord 20 6 2 81 30 46
Psv 19 6 3 70 25 44
Ajax 19 5 4 84 37 43
Sp Rotterdam 11 11 6 65 47 33
Haarlem 11 11 6 47 41 33
Roda JC 12 8 8 50 44 32

BELGIUM

A'techt v Ce Bruges 7-0
Seraing v Waregem 1-4
Courtrai v Lokeren 0-3
Beerschot v W'schei 1-2
Lierse v Fc Liege 1-1
Beringen v Antwerp 0-3
Beveren v St Liege 2-0
Cl Bruges v Molenbeek 6-1
Ghent v Malines 2-1

W D L F A Pts

Beveren 18 7 4 51 30 43
Anderlecht 17 7 5 70 33 41
Cl Bruges 14 9 6 58 34 37
St Liege 14 6 9 50 38 34
Seraing 14 5 10 54 43 33
Waregem 13 6 10 48 39 32

AUSTRIA

GAK v Vo Linz 2-1
Ad Wacker v Innsbruck 1-1
Lask v Neusiedl 2-0
E'stadt v Austria Klagenfurt 2-2
Rap Vienna v Au Vienna 4-1
St Veit v Salzburg 1-0
Favoriten v St Graz 3-1

W D L F A Pts

Au Vienna 14 4 3 56 19 32
Ra Vienna 13 6 2 47 16 32
Lask 12 5 4 38 21 29
Sturm Graz 12 4 5 41 28 28



BILLY BINGHAM

BELFAST'S BINGHAM BITTER

BILLY BINGHAM, Northern Ireland's team boss, is the latest Irishman to complain bitterly about the ending of Home International matches against England.

"It'll be a terrible blow to the kids in Belfast who always look forward to seeing England's stars playing at Windsor Park," said Bingham.

"When I was a kid in Belfast, I took inspiration from Englishmen like Matthews, Finney, Mannion and Ramsey. And, like many others, I modelled my game on such great names.

"With the Home Internationals now a thing of the past, Belfast people have no chance of seeing today's

stars from across the Irish Sea," added Bingham.

ENGLISH FANS ALLOWED

ENGLISH fans may be regarded as poison in Europe, but at least they are still welcome in Scotland.

The Scottish FA was con-

NOT A MEAN SCOT



JOHN McCLELLAND, who plays for Glasgow Rangers and Northern Ireland, won a one-gallon bottle of Mackinlay's whisky as Rangers' personality player.

He didn't go home with it to get roaring drunk.

John opened the monster bottle and divided it up into 11 smaller bottles. Then he handed one to each of the cleaning ladies at Rangers' Ibrox Park Stadium.

ARTHUR COX is apprehensive about his future as manager of Newcastle United.

If Newcastle fail to win promotion to first division, Cox looks certain to be dumped.

But even if the Magpies go up, Cox is still threatened. Several directors are critical of his methods.

A COUPLE of depressing sequences....Coventry City have had one win in their last 16 games....Ipswich Town have picked up four points in 12 games.

SHARP MOVES AT OLD TRAFFORD

SHARP ELECTRONICS have renewed their sponsorship of Manchester United until the end of the 1985-86 season.

Sharp will pay \$1,100,000 for the privilege of supporting United.

The cash will be spent mainly on improvements to the old Trafford ground —

already one of the best in Britain.

Pillars supporting grandstand roofing will be removed and be replaced with cantilever construction to

improve vision.

United will also revamp their restaurant complex and club offices.

It's nice to be rich!

UK tables

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
Liverpool	34	20	9	5	59	24	69			
Manchester Utd	34	19	10	5	64	33	67			
Notts Forest	34	18	6	10	58	36	60			
Q.P.R.	35	17	6	12	54	31	57			
Southampton	33	16	8	9	41	32	56			
West Ham	34	16	7	11	53	44	55			
Arsenal	35	15	6	14	51	50	51			
Tottenham	35	14	9	12	54	52	51			
Aston Villa	35	14	9	12	51	51	51			
Watford	35	14	6	15	61	67	48			
Everton	33	12	11	10	32	34	47			
Luton	35	13	8	14	45	51	47			
Norwich	34	12	10	12	42	38	46			
Leicester	35	11	11	13	57	57	44			
Birmingham	35	12	8	15	35	39	44			
West Bromwich	34	12	6	16	40	52	42			
Coventry	35	10	10	15	46	55	40			
Sunderland	35	9	12	14	34	47	39			
Stoke	35	10	8	17	33	58	38			
Ipswich	35	10	6	19	41	51	36			
Notts County	34	8	9	17	41	60	33			
Wolverhampton	34	5	9	20	25	65	24			

ENGLISH DIVISION TWO										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
Chelsea	35	19	12	4	73	37	69			
Sheffield Wed	33	20	9	4	62	29	69			
Newcastle	35	21	6	8	70	46	69			
Manchester City	35	18	8	9	54	39	62			
Carlisle	35	16	13	6	41	24	61			
Grimsby	34	16	11	7	51	40	59			
Blackburn	35	15	13	7	47	38	58			
Charlton	35	15	9	11	46	49	54			
Brighton	35	14	8	13	57	49	50			
Leeds	35	13	9	13	45	47	48			
Shrewsbury	35	12	10	13	36	45	46			
Portsmouth	35	13	5	17	60	50	44			
Huddersfield	34	11	11	12	42	41	44			
Cardiff	34	13	4	17	45	52	43			
Barnsley	34	12	6	16	49	46	42			
Fulham	35	10	12	13	48	46	42			
Middlesbrough	35	10	10	15	35	40	40			
Crystal Palace	34	9	10	15	33	43	37			
Oldham	35	10	7	18	39	61	37			
Derby	34	8	8	18	31	61	32			
Swansea	35	5	7	23	29	68	22			
Cambridge	35	2	10	23	25	67	16			

ENGLISH DIVISION THREE										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
Oxford	38	24	7	7	76	43	79			
Sheffield Utd	39	19	11	9	73	47	68			
Wimbledon	38	20	8	10	84	68	68			
Hull	36	18	12	6	57	31	66			
Walsall	39	19	8	12	59	53	65			
Bristol Rovers	38	18	10	10	58	45	64			
Burnley	37	15	13	9	68	41	58			
Bolton	38	16	10	12	50	43	58			
Gillingham	36	17	7	12	59	53	58			
Bradford	35	15	9	11	61	50	54			
Orient	37	15	9	13	54	59	54			
Newport	37	14	12	11	51	61	54			
Millwall	36	13	12	11	52	53	51			
Lincoln	38	14	9	15	50	52	51			
Wigan	38	13	11	14	42	48	50			
Preston	38	12	10	16	56	54	46			
Plymouth	36	10	16	16	42	50	40			
Bournemouth	37	11	5	21	49	65	38			
Brentford	39	8	13	18	56	74	37			
Rotherham	35	9	7	19	40	52	34			
Scunthorpe	35	6	15	14	41	60	33			
Southend	35	6	12	17	42	61	30			
Port Vale	36	8	6	22	38	70	30			
Exeter	37	5	12	20	45	70	27			

ENGLISH DIVISION FOUR										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
York	37	25	6	6	78	33	81			
Bristol City	40	20	8	12	60	40	68			
Reading	38	18	12	8	71	47	66			
Doncaster	36	18	12	6	63	45	66			
Aldershot	38	19	8	11	62	55	65			
Blackpool	36	17	8	11	56	37	59			
Tranmere	38	15	14	9	48	38	59			
Peterborough	39	15	12	12	57	39	57			
Colchester	37	14	13	10	56	40	55			
Stockport	37	15	8	14	52	54	53			
Torquay	38	14	11	13	48	54	53			
Hereford	39	13	13	13	45	43	52			
Chesterfield	39	13	13	13	49	51	52			
Crewe	38	14	9	15	47	56	51			
Swindon	38	12	12	14	48	46	48			
Northampton	39	12	15	15	44	56	48			
Bury	38	11	13	14	51	53	46			
Darlington	36	13	5	18	35	39	44			
Wrexham	37	9	12	16	44	58	39			
Rochdale	39	9	12	18	47	67	39			
Halifax	38	9	12	17	40	68	39			
Mansfield	38	8	11	19	48	64	35			
Hartlepool	38	9	7	22	41	74	34			
Chester	37	5	11	21	37	70	26			

SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
Aberdeen	27	20	4	3	64	15	44			
Celtic	29	17	6	6	64	32	40			
Dundee United	26	15	6	5	51	25	36			
Rangers	29	13	7	9	45	35	33			
Hearts	30	9	12	9	33	42	30			
St Mirren	30	8	12	10	47	47	28			
Hibernian	32	12	4	16	41	50	28			
Dundee	29	9	2	18	43	66	20			
St Johnstone	30	9	2	19	31	70	20			
Motherwell	30	3	7	20	26	63	13			

SCOTTISH DIVISION ONE										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
Dumbarton	34	18	10	6	57	36	46			
Morton	34	17	11	6	65	43	45			
Partick	34	18	6	10	62	44	42			
Clydebank	34	15	9	10	56	45	39			
Brechin	33	13	12	8	48	41	38			
Falkirk	34	14	6	14	42	49	34			
Clyde	33	10	12	11	45	40	32			
Kilmarnock	34	13	6	15	47	47	32			
Hamilton	34	8	13	13	35	41	29			
Airdrieonians	34	10	9	15	38	49	29			
Ayr	34	9	11	14	51	63	29			
Meadowbank	34	10	9	15	42	60	29			
Raith	34	8	11	15	45	56	27			
Alloa	34	7	9	18	39	58	23			

SCOTTISH DIVISION TWO						
	P	W	D	L	F	A Pts
Forfar	33	28	8	2	60	23 54
Queen Of South	34	16	9	9	47	32 41
Stirling	34	13	12	9	46	36 38
Arbroath	34	16	6	12	44	40 38
Berwick	34	14	9	11	50	34 37
East Fife	34	15	7	12	48	41 37
Stranraer	34	13	8	13	43	42 34
Stenhousemuir	34	12	10	12	41	46 34
Queens Park	34	12	7	15	50	55 31
Dunfermline	33	10	10	13	33	38 30
East Stirling	34	9	10	15	42	54 28
Montrose	34	11	5	18	34	55 27
Albion	34	7	9	18	44	69 23
Cowdenbeath	34	7	8	19	35	52 23